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## Commissioner's Message

By Bradley M. Campbell

New Jersey's anglers and hunters are in the spotlight as never before.

Governor McGreevey's Highlands initiative will permanently protect critical habitat for game species and the headwaters of some of New Jersey's most important coldwater fisheries. Tough new stormwater rules will put a 300-foot buffer between the state's high-quality waters, including dozens of prized trout streams, and any new development. Targeted acquisitions through the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Green Acres program are expanding the lands available to the sporting public for hunting and fishing. Mandated cuts in mercury emissions from power plants and incinerators promise a day when future generations of anglers will have fewer fish advisories. And the Governor's efforts to strengthen long-neglected functions of DEP's Fish and Wildlife Division, particularly through rebuilding the fisheries stock assessment program, are restoring New Jersey's leadership in fish and wildlife management.

Despite this remarkable mid-term record of accomplishment, the sporting community seems more peeved than pleased these days—mostly because of controversy surrounding the bear hunt.



## Director's Message

By Marty McHugh

This year marks the implementation of the Delaware Bay Initiative (Initiative), a habitat

restoration and management cooperative program that could prove to be one of the largest boosts to wildlife biodiversity ever provided by any branch of New Jersey state government. In May of 2004, the first project completed under the Delaware Bay Initiative was dedicated at the Heislerville Wildlife Management Area (WMA). During the dedication it became apparent how valuable this habitat management effort will be to biodiversity on the bay when a pair of foraging bald eagles, numerous herons and egrets, colonial waterbirds, sandpipers, willets, ospreys, yellow legged plovers, black ducks, Canada geese, mute swans, mallards and even a pair of pintails were observed using the newly created habitat.

Through the installation of three new water control structures within the Heislerville WMA, the Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish & Wildlife began this Delaware Bay Initiative project with new, adaptive management abilities for the existing water impoundments. Here, the control structures will permit Fish & Wildlife to adjust water levels in the impoundments to optimize their use by a wide diversity of wildlife species at critical periods of need throughout the year.

The recent completion of the Heislerville WMA project demonstrated the importance of

A year ago, I supported and oversaw the first bear hunt in the state in 30 years. The Fish and Game Council had approved a hunt in 2000, but quickly gave in to public opposition and political arm-twisting at that time and canceled the hunt. In supporting last year's hunt, and weathering a storm of public controversy and criticism at least as great as in 2000, I based my decision on the strength of the data suggesting that the black bear population exceeded 3000 or more, and on the potential risk to public safety suggested by the increasing numbers of risky bear-human interactions. I also made clear that our management strategy would not rely exclusively on the hunt, which our bear biologists have said will not reduce the overall population. I made clear that I would look at the issue on a year-by-year basis.

Notably, the hard data gathered by the hunt suggest a statewide black bear population half as large as that projected in 2003, as documented by the relatively high number of tagged bears in the harvest. Risky incidents involving black bears in our communities are down. Given the significant attention and resources consumed by the hunt and its attendant controversy, other elements of our management strategy had to wait. Based on these facts and the need to honor the public commitment made to management measures other than hunting, I asked the Fish and Game Council not to authorize the hunt this year. My request did not take the form of back-room political arm-twisting, but a public presentation and supporting letter before the Council in which I outlined the data and reasoning supporting my position, based primarily on the superb work of our Division's wildlife biologists. Without any response to my position on the merits, the Council reflexively voted to reauthorize the bear hunt in 2004. So much for the Council's commitment to sound data and science.

I regret being at odds with the Council, but I have no intention of relenting on the issue. By disregarding the principles I articulated in supporting the 2003 hunt, the Council is putting the broader interests of New Jersey's hunters and anglers at risk. The Council's defiance is due in part to the composition of the Council, which by law has only one seat designated for a person with scientific training, and in part to the absence of any check on the Council's seemingly absolute authority over the game code.

Unfortunately, the Council's stance has spawned legislative proposals to right this balance that go much too far in the opposite direction and that threaten to eliminate the use of hunting to control wildlife populations that may have few, if any natural predators. As one who believes that hunting has an important role in wildlife management and in the sporting traditions of this state, I cannot support these proposals. But the Council's failure to join me in a balanced approach to the issue of bear management is giving these

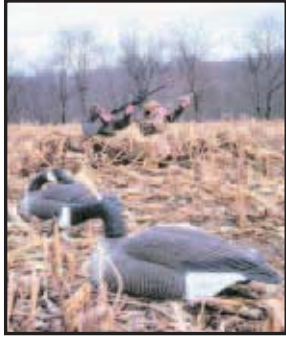
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## License Information & Fees 2004–2005

(Licenses are valid from date of purchase to Dec. 31 of each year.)

### Firearm Licenses

Resident Firearm Hunting (16–64 yrs.)	\$ 27.50
Senior Resident Firearm Hunting (65 yrs & older)	15.50
Non-Resident Firearm Hunting	135.50
Non-Resident Two-Day Small Game Firearm Hunting	36.50
Special One-Day Hunting (On Commercial Preserves Only)	12.50
Youth (10–15, see page 4)	FREE

### Bow and Arrow Licenses

Resident Bow & Arrow Hunting	31.50
Senior Resident Bow & Arrow Hunting (65 yrs & older)	16.50
Non-Resident Bow & Arrow Hunting	135.50
Youth (10–15, see page 4)	FREE

### Trapping Licenses

Resident Trapping	32.50
Non-Resident Trapping	200.50

### Permits

Deer Permits for Bow, Shotgun or Muzzleloader	28.00
Youth Deer and Turkey Permit	12.00
Turkey Season Permit	21.00
Rifle Permit (2-year Permit)	19.00
Youth Rifle Permit	10.00

### Stamps

Pheasant & Quail Stamp	40.00
Resident Waterfowl Stamp	5.00
Non-Resident Waterfowl Stamp	10.00

### Miscellaneous Licenses

All-Around Sportsman (Includes Resident Firearm Hunting, Bow & Arrow Hunting & Fishing Licenses)	72.25
Duplicate License	2.00

See page 4 for additional license information

# New Jersey Fish & Wildlife Telephone Directory

Internet Address . . . . . www.njfishandwildlife.com

Commercial Preserves &

Semi-Wild Preserves . . . . . (609) 292-2966

**Hunting Permit Hotline** . . . . . (609) 292-9192

DEP ACTION LINE - 24 HOURS . . (877) WARNDEP

Exotic & Nongame Captivity Permits . . (609) 292-9591

Falconry Permit Information . . . . . (908) 735-8793

Field Trial Permits . . . . . (609) 259-2132

**General Information** . . . . . (609) 292-2965

Horseback Riding Permits . . . . . (609) 259-2132

Hunter Education . . . . . (877) 2HUNT NJ

Hunting, Fishing, & Duplicate Licenses (609) 292-2965

Operation Game Thief . . . . . 800-222-0456

Outstanding Deer Program . . . . . (609) 292-9450

Pheasant & Quail Stocking Information (609) 984-0547

Rifle Permit Information . . . . . (609) 984-1400

Trout Stocking Hotline . . . . . (609) 633-6765

Wildlife Conservation Corps Information (856) 629-1014

Wildlife Management Area Information. (609) 984-0547

### Trenton Office

501 E. State St., Station Plaza 5, 3rd Floor,

PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400

Endangered and Nongame Species . . . (609) 292-9400

Freshwater Fisheries . . . . . (609) 292-9450

Land Management . . . . . (609) 984-0547

Law Enforcement . . . . . (609) 292-9430

Marine Fisheries . . . . . (609) 292-2083

Shellfisheries . . . . . (609) 984-5546

Wildlife Education . . . . . (609) 292-9450

Wildlife Management . . . . . (609) 292-6685

### Lebanon Field Office

PO Box 394, Lebanon, NJ 08833 . . . . (908) 236-2118

### Northern Region Office

26 Route 173 W., Hampton, NJ 08827

Wildlife Management . . . . . (908) 735-7040

Endangered and Nongame Species . . . (908) 735-8975

Hunter Education . . . . . (877) 2HUNT NJ

Wildlife Control . . . . . (908) 735-8793

Land Management . . . . . (973) 383-0918

Law Enforcement (Bergen, Essex, Hudson,

Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset,

Sussex, Union, and Warren counties) . . (908) 735-8240

### Pequest Trout Hatchery and

**Natural Resource Education Center**

605 Pequest Rd., Oxford, NJ 07863 . . . (908) 637-4125

### Central Region Office

1 Eldridge Rd., Robbinsville, NJ 08691

Land Management . . . . . (609) 259-2132

Hunter Education . . . . . (877) 2HUNT NJ

Wildlife Control . . . . . (609) 259-7955

Law Enforcement (Burlington, Mercer, Middlesex,

Monmouth, and Ocean counties) . . . . (609) 259-2120

### Southern Region Office

220 Blue Anchor Rd., Sicklerville, NJ 08081

Information . . . . . (856) 629-0090

Hunter Education . . . . . (877) 2HUNT NJ

Land Management . . . . . (856) 629-5006

Freshwater Fisheries . . . . . (856) 629-4950

Wildlife Control . . . . . (856) 629-7224

Law Enforcement (Atlantic, Camden,

Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester,

and Salem counties) . . . . . (856) 629-0555

### Nacote Creek Research Station

P.O. Box 418, 360 Rt. 9 N. (Milepost 51)

Port Republic, NJ 08241

Marine Fisheries . . . . . (609) 748-2020

Shellfisheries . . . . . (609) 748-2040

Marine Education . . . . . (609) 748-2031

Wildlife Management . . . . . (609) 748-2063

**Marine Law Enforcement** . . . . . (609) 748-2050

### Bivalve Shellfish Office

P.O. Box 432, Port Norris, NJ 08349 . . (856) 785-0730

## Hunting & Trapping Licenses

*Deer Permits are valid for the 2004–2005 hunting season.  
New Jersey sporting licenses are valid for the calendar year.*

All persons hunting or trapping must be properly licensed. It is unlawful for any person age 10 or older to hunt without a hunting license. It is unlawful for any person age 12 or older to trap without a trapping license. See below for youth license information. All hunters and trappers must openly display their license or permit on their outer clothing and must show their license to any police officer or any person requesting to see it.

Licenses and stamps may be purchased from participating county or municipal clerks, license agents and selected Division of Fish and Wildlife offices.

**Farmer License Exemption** A farmer and the immediate members of the family who also reside on the farm may hunt, trap and fish on the farm without being licensed or possessing a valid rifle permit (a farm is defined as an area of at least five acres and having gross income of at least \$500, and tax assessed as farmland).

This exemption does not apply to a tenant or employee who is not an immediate family member. *Also: See Farmer Deer Permits section.*

**Hunter & Trapper Education Requirements** New Jersey requires that anyone applying to hunt with a shotgun, rifle or bow show a previous resident license of the appropriate type from this or any state, or a course completion card from the appropriate hunter education course.

The New Jersey Hunter Education course is now offered as a home study video-based program. Students can obtain course materials at most license agents and Division field offices. After completing an extensive homework assignment, the student may choose from a list of testing facilities and dates to complete their Hunter Education course. More details on the program, including course material availability, facility locations and dates, go to Fish and Wildlife's Web site [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or call (877) 2HUNTJ.

**Lost Licenses** Lost licenses can be replaced at all Division regional offices, the Trenton office and the Pequest Natural Resource Education Center. To replace a lost license, either mail or hand deliver the carbon copy issued with the license along with a \$2 check to any Division law enforcement office, the Trenton office, or Pequest. Duplicate stamps will not be issued, but may be purchased separately.

**National Guard Licenses** Eligible National Guard personnel are entitled to free licenses, permits, and stamps. Further information can be obtained by writing to: NJ Department of Military/Veteran Affairs, 101 Eggert Crossing Rd., Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, Attn: 1st Sgt. Turrien, or call (609) 530-6866.

**Non-Resident Licenses** Non-residents must show either a resident license from their state or proof of successfully completing an appropriate hunter education course, in order to obtain a license to hunt or trap in New Jersey. Non-immigrant aliens who temporarily import firearms to the United States must first obtain a Form 6

Import Permit from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF). The approval may take up to 12 weeks. Contact ATF's Explosives Imports Branch at (202) 927-8320 or download a form from their Web site at [www.atf.treas.gov](http://www.atf.treas.gov).

**Non-Resident Servicemen Licenses** Any person on active duty in the armed services may buy a resident hunting license upon presenting a previous resident license (from this or any other state) of the appropriate type or proof of successfully completing the appropriate hunter education course to the agent.

**One-day License** A one-day license may be issued for hunting on a licensed commercial shooting preserve. This license may be obtained at the shooting preserve and is valid only on the day issued for the species covered by the preserve's license. Hunter Education requirements still apply.

**Resident Licenses** Resident licenses may be purchased if one has resided in the state for six months immediately prior to application.

**Revocation of Licenses** Anyone convicted of a second fish and game violation within a period of five years will have their New Jersey hunting and fishing privileges revoked for two years. Certain violations carry greater periods of revocation, ranging from three years to lifetime revocation. Two convictions of any Wildlife Management Area regulation results in a five year revocation. Two convictions of the following will result in lifetime revocation: safety zone violation, causing damage to real or personal property and negligent use of a firearm or bow. The Division may revoke any permit or other authorization issued for violation or due cause.

**Social Security Numbers on Licenses** Public Law 1998c1 "The Child Support Program Improvement Act" requires that the Division of Fish and Wildlife collect and maintain a record of Social Security numbers whenever a license or permit is sold. The visible display of the Social Security number on the license is not required and therefore it is the official policy of the Division that the holder of the license may black out their Social Security number once the license has been purchased. No other changes may be made to the license.

**Youth Licenses, Resident & Non-Resident** *See youth hunting opportunities, pages 70–71.* Properly licensed youth hunters ages 10–13 may hunt only when accompanied by a properly licensed adult age 21 or older. Youths, 15 years of age and under, are able to hunt, fish, and trap for free, provided they have passed a Hunter Education course. Youth hunters who have passed a hunter education course should have received their new Youth Firearm or Youth Bow and Arrow license. The Youth Firearm or Bow and Arrow License is valid from time of issuance until end of the year that he or she turns 16. Resident and nonresident youths who have not received their license can obtain licenses by calling Fish & Wildlife's Pequest, Trenton, Northern, Central or Southern region offices.

## Disabled Veteran's Licenses, Stamps and Permits

*Free hunting and fishing licenses, stamps and permits are available for resident disabled veterans.*

For the purposes of this program, the legislation defines Disabled Veterans as: "...any resident of New Jersey who has been honorably discharged or released under honorable circumstances from active service from any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States and who has been declared by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs, or its successor, to have a service-connected disability of any degree..."

Disabled Veteran hunting licenses are available at the Division's Trenton office, as well as selected Division field offices. For questions, call (609) 292-2965.

Disabled Veterans are entitled to **one free permit for the Permit Bow Season, and one free firearm permit (your choice), for either the Permit Shotgun or the Permit Muzzleloader Seasons.** Disabled Veterans **cannot** receive free permits at license agents. These free permits can **only** be obtained through the Division. To ensure inclusion on our database, Disabled Veterans are encouraged to apply for free deer permits by mail using the special Disabled Veteran application (see below). In the event that the deadline is missed, Disabled Veterans may obtain their free permits at selected Division offices.

### Disabled Veteran Applicants:

1. Documentation of current benefits for a service-connected disability and proof of honorable discharge (such as a copy of your DD-214, VA card or monthly check stub) must be presented to obtain a free disabled veteran license.
2. Applicant must provide a hunter education course (archery, shotgun or rifle) certificate applicable to the license for which he or she is applying or previously issued resident archery or firearm license or rifle permit. Resident licenses from other states issued to hunters prior to establishing residency in New Jersey will be accepted if the license indicates the sporting arm for which it was valid. Non-resident licenses from other states are not acceptable.
3. To obtain the free Disabled Veteran deer permits one must first have a Disabled Veteran hunting license.
4. Those applying for free deer permits must fill out **one** 2004 Disabled Veteran Deer Permit Application. Applications will be sent to all Disabled Veterans who are currently listed in our database. If he or she does not receive an application, one can be obtained at selected Division offices, on the Division Web site ([www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)) or by calling

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# 2004–2005 Hunting Permits and Stamps

## Permits

### Beaver & Otter Permits

- Trapping allowed by special permit only.
- Applications and additional information will be available beginning Sept. 30 on the Division's Web site ([www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)) and at Division offices.
- Application period is **Oct. 15–Nov. 15**.
- Leftover permits will be made available over-the-counter. During the week of Dec. 6, 2004 check the Web site or call the permit hotline at (609) 292-9192, to learn if and when those sales will take place.
- See trapping regulations, page 54.

### Black Bear Hunting Permits

A total of 10,000 special black bear hunting permits will be available to properly licensed firearm hunters who successfully complete a mandatory black bear hunting seminar. Black bear permit applications will be available at Division offices, license agents and on our Web site at [www.fishandwildlife.com](http://www.fishandwildlife.com). Review your completed application carefully before submitting. Permits are free, however **applications must be postmarked no later than Sept. 30, 2004**. Apply early.

If more than 10,000 applications are received, a random lottery will be conducted. Applicants who must attend a 2004 black bear hunting seminar will receive notification of their seminar date beginning the week of Oct. 18, 2004; permits will be issued at the seminar's conclusion. Applicants who are not required to attend a seminar will receive their permit by mail before Nov. 19, 2004. Should a lottery be conducted, notifications of non-selection will also be mailed by Nov. 19.

Hunters are encouraged to call the Permit Hotline at (609) 292-9192 for recorded updates about the permit process or the bear hunt. The hotline message will be updated only if information changes.

Black bear hunting permits are not transferable and must be in the possession of the hunter while hunting black bear. Hunters are limited to one black bear hunting permit.

### Captive Wildlife Permits

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## Disabled Veteran's Licenses, Stamps & Permits

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(609) 292-2965. **Do not** complete the regular application found in this Digest.

5. Disabled Veteran applications will be accepted for **all zones** that are open for deer hunting; this includes zones sold only at license agents and zones that still have a lottery system. Disabled Veterans may purchase additional permits at the regular price of \$28.

Using a Disabled Veteran Permit Application does not give the applicant preference in the lottery.

wildlife is regulated and only for limited purposes. Information and applications may be obtained by calling:

Nongame and Exotics—(609) 292-9591  
Game birds and Mammals—(609) 984-6211 or from our Web site, [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)

### Coyote, Red and Gray Fox Hunting Permits

- Permits are required to hunt coyote, red or gray fox from Feb. 1–21, 2005.
- Application period: **Oct. 15–Nov. 15**.
- To apply, send a \$2 application fee and a 3 x 5-inch index card with your name, mailing address, date of birth and **evening** telephone number.
- Write "Special February Coyote/Fox Season" on bottom of index card.
- Application fee must be in the form of a check or money order payable to "NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife"
- Mail the fee and index card to: NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife, Coyote Permits, P.O. Box 003, Trenton, NJ 08625-0003.
- Permits will also be made available at Division offices beginning Jan. 17, 2005.
- See coyote and fox hunting regulations, pages 50 and 52.

### Deer Road-Kill Permits

Deer accidentally killed by motor vehicles may be possessed for private consumption only by obtaining a free permit from the local police department or from a Division regional law enforcement office. The permit only authorizes the possession of the meat for consumption and is good only for 90 days. The possession of all other parts, such as antlers, under terms of this permit, are expressly prohibited. Wrapped packages of the venison must be labeled with the permit number.

### Deer Season Permits

- Permits are required during the Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun Seasons.
- Permits may be purchased either at participating license agents or through a mail-in lottery, depending on the zone. See page 9 for details.
- Permits are valid only for the season and zone indicated, are non-transferable and non-refundable.
- **For the mail-in lottery, permit applications must be postmarked by Aug. 31.**

### Falconry Permits

Hunting with raptors (birds of prey) is allowed only with a Falconry Permit and a hunting license. See the section on falconry for hunting rules, page 15.

### Rifle Permits

A valid rifle permit is required for coyote, deer, squirrel and woodchuck hunting with a muzzle-loading rifle; raccoon and opossum hunting with a .22 caliber rifle; and for dispatching trapped animals other than muskrat with a .22 caliber rifle. Initial rifle permit applicants must be at least 10 years old and have successfully completed a rifle hunter education course. Applications for rifle permits may be obtained at the Division's Trenton Office or our Web site. Rifle permits for 10 to 17 years olds will be valid only for muzzleloaders. No

persons under 18 years old may hunt with centerfire or rimfire rifles.

### Turkey Hunting Permits, General

- Hunting by permit only. See also page 55.
- Spring and fall season applications are made simultaneously on one application.
- Applications are located in the 2005 Wild Turkey Hunting Season permit supplement, available in late January/early February at Division offices, on our Web site and at participating license agents.
- Applications must be postmarked between Jan. 22 and Feb. 22.

### Turkey Permits, Fall Season

- At press time, the 2004 Fall Turkey Permit Lottery has not been completed.
- **Tentative** date: Monday, Sept. 27, 2004, has been scheduled for over-the-counter sale of leftover permits, if available.
- Check the Web site or call the 24-hour automated Permit Hotline at (609) 292-9192 for more detailed information.

## Permits for Farmers

### Deer Season

- Approved farmers are eligible for one **free** bow, shotgun and muzzleloader permit for the applicable deer management zone.
- Farmers may submit only one application.
- **Preferred farmer application period: June 1–Aug. 31.**
- For all applications received after Oct. 1, the Division cannot guarantee that permits will be received in time for opening day.
- Farmers on our database were sent applications in early June.
- To ensure inclusion in our database, farmers are strongly urged to submit completed applications early.
- There are two types of farmer permits, **occupant** and **non-occupant**. Applicants may decide for which permit it is easiest to qualify.
- For Farmer Deer Permits **only a qualified farmer or the spouse or children of that farmer who reside in the farmer's household**, are eligible to apply for occupant and non-occupant farmer deer permits.
- Farmer Permits are contingent upon approval by the Division's Bureau of Law Enforcement.
- Farmers may also apply for (or purchase at license agents) regular deer permits in addition to the free farmer permits.
- Farmer Permits are available **ONLY** through the Division's **Trenton Office**.

### Occupant Farmer Deer Permits

- Applicant must be the owner, leasee or immediate family (spouse and children only) who actually **reside on** the farm property.
- Must have at least five acres of land tax-assessed as farmland.
- Occupant permits are valid only on the farm property where the applicant resides.

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### Non-Occupant Farmer Deer Permits

- Applicants are not required to live on the farm property.
- Farmer(s) and their immediate family members (spouse and children only) may qualify, up to a total of five people.
- Must actively till at least 30 acres of land which is tax-assessed as farmland.
- Woodlots do not qualify.
- If applying to hunt leased farmland, a copy of all leases authorizing the agricultural and hunting uses of the land must be attached to the application.
- Non-occupant permits are valid in the entire zone for which the permit was applied.
- An applicant who lives on a farm and actively tills at least 30 acres may apply *either* as an occupant *or* a non-occupant.

### Farmer Turkey Permits

- Qualified farmers may apply only if their land is in a turkey hunting area open to hunting.
- Approved farmers will receive a permit valid for both the entire spring and fall seasons if they apply for both permits on their Farmer Turkey Permit Application.
- Applications will be made available at Division offices, the Division Web site, county agricultural agents and from conservation officers throughout the state.
- Farmer Turkey permits are available only to the farmer and immediate family who **reside on** the farm.
- For the purpose of Farmer Turkey Permits “immediate family” includes the spouse, child, stepchild, stepparent, legal guardian, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandparent, great grandparent, brother, sister, stepsister, stepbrother, brother-in-law and sister-in-law of the farm owner or lessee who resides thereon.
- Application period is Jan. 22–Feb. 22. Farmers whose applications are received after Feb. 22 cannot be guaranteed that their permits will arrive by opening day.

### Permits for Hunters with Disabling Conditions

#### Permits for Physically Challenged Hunters

A permit for certain physically challenged persons may be issued to use alternative methods/equipment for taking game during the prescribed seasons. The application period is Jan. 1 to Aug. 31 of each year.

#### Permits to Shoot from a Standing Vehicle

A permit to shoot or hunt from a standing vehicle that is parked off the road may be issued to licensed hunters who have a permanent or irreversible physical disability that limits their ambulatory ability, suffer from cardiovascular disease and are classified as Class 3 or 4 heart patients according to American Heart Association standards, or suffer from chronic lung disease. This permit will be issued if the need is certified by a licensed physician or chiropractor.

Individuals hunting with a permit to hunt or

shoot from a motor vehicle must mark the vehicle being used for the purpose of hunting either with handicapped license plates issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles or by displaying the sign, provided by Fish and Wildlife, in the rear window of the vehicle being used.

### Bow Use Permit

A special bow use permit may be issued to disabled hunters who cannot use a conventional bow as described in the Game Code. This permit will allow the alteration of a long bow, recurved bow or compound bow with a mechanical device that will enable the archer to draw and cock the bow at full or partial draw length or in cases of demonstrated need, a permit to use a crossbow may be issued. Special bow use permit applicants must have a disability that meets any one of the following criteria: amputation or other loss of one or both arms above the wrist; an amputation or other loss of index or middle finger on the hand used to draw and release the bow; permanent, substantial loss of function or range of motion in one or both arms, one or both hands, or one or both shoulders; or suffer from cardiovascular disease and are designated as a Class 3 or 4 heart patient according to the American Heart Association standards. These permits will only be issued if the need is certified by a licensed physician.

Information about permits for hunters with disabling conditions can be requested in writing from the Division’s Trenton Office, Handicapped Permits, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625 or downloaded directly from our Web site: [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)

### Stamps

Stamps are not transferable to another person and are not valid unless signed across the face in ink.

#### Pheasant & Quail Stamp

Anyone aged 16 and over (except 16 year olds whose youth license remains valid through the end of the year in which they turn 16) hunting or possessing pheasant or quail on the following designated Wildlife Management Areas shall have in possession a current Pheasant and Quail Stamp (free youth hunting licenses include pheasant & quail stamp): Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Millville, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, Greenwood Forest, Howardsville, Heislerville, Tuckahoe, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Walpack, Whittingham and Winslow. Other designated areas include the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and Fort Dix. Pheasant and quail stamps are valid for the calendar year, January–December.

#### New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp

Anyone 16 or older who hunts waterfowl must possess a New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp in addition to the Federal Duck Stamp. Both of these stamps are valid for the fiscal year, July 1–June 30. An HIP number is also required. See page 11 for details.

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

(Application postmark deadline—AUG. 31, 2004)

- Note:** A rifle permit is required while muzzleloader hunting. Hunters are limited to purchasing one permit per zone for each of the permit seasons (permit bow, permit muzzleloader, permit shotgun). Blank applications may be photocopied. Print clearly. Follow instructions carefully.
1. **HUNTER INFORMATION:** Complete the hunter’s name, birth date, mailing address, Social Security number and daytime telephone number.
  2. **HUNTING LICENSE NUMBER:** Please be aware that we no longer have permit ID Stubs on hunting licenses. Bow applicants must include their 2004 Archery or 2004 All-Around license number. Shotgun or muzzleloader applicants must include the number from their 2004 Firearm or 2004 All-Around license. Those who applied for a hunter education course by Aug. 31, should enter “8888888888” in the license box.
  3. **PERMIT BOW SECTION:** To apply for a bow permit, write your zone choices next to the “B” under the first lottery section. For a second bow permit, write your zone choices next to the “B” under the second lottery section. For an additional firearm (shotgun or muzzleloader) permit, place an “S” (shotgun) or “M” (muzzleloader) in the box and write your zone choices under the first lottery section.
  4. **PERMIT FIREARM SECTION:** To apply for a shotgun or muzzleloader permit, place an “S” (shotgun) or “M” (muzzleloader) in the box and write your zone choices under the first lottery section. For an additional firearm (shotgun or muzzleloader) permit, place an “S” (shotgun) or “M” (muzzleloader) in the box and write your zone choices under the second lottery section.
  5. **PERMIT FEE:** A \$28 fee (\$26 permit fee plus a \$2 nonrefundable application fee) per adult permit or a \$12 fee (\$10 permit fee plus a \$2 nonrefundable application fee) per youth permit must accompany your application. You must enclose with your application a check or money order payable to “NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife.” Include your name and address on checks and money orders. Applications not chosen to receive permits will receive a refund for permit fee only (\$26 or \$10 per permit in late January).
  6. Cut out application along dotted line and mail with all fees to the address below. Envelopes must be postmarked by Aug. 31.
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## Director's Message

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habitat to all species of wildlife. "Build it and they will come" not only applies to baseball's field of dreams but also to wildlife on suitable habitat.

Skillful habitat manipulation and creation has an amazingly positive impact on a wide diversity of fish, game and non-game species while at the same time providing vast recreational opportunities for birders, anglers, hunters and photographers. Heislerville's middle impoundment is the first area of mud flats and "skinny" water (one to two inches deep) on the Jersey side of the Delaware Bay to be managed as such during the energy-demanding spring shorebird migration.

Providing areas for shorebirds to feed and gain weight during high tide is a proven strategy to help these birds maintain energy levels sufficient to continue their migration. Water levels again will be lowered in the fall by Fish & Wildlife staff to provide additional feeding areas for both migratory waterfowl and shorebirds on their southerly migration.

Heislerville's water control structures will also provide further wildlife protection should an oil spill occur on Delaware Bay. By drawing down water levels at the time of a spill, the pollution can be excluded and safe feeding and resting habitat created for shorebirds.

The Delaware Bay Initiative was originally signed in 2001 by New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife along with Ducks Unlimited and Delaware Fish & Wildlife. Since then the U.S.

Fish & Wildlife Service and U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service have joined us as Initiative partners. Numerous branches of federal, state, county and local governments also have joined as partners and are participating in various ongoing projects. These diverse partnerships bring a wide range of expertise and multiple funding sources, both extremely valuable in the design and implementation of Initiative projects.

The Heislerville WMA project is just one success story from the Delaware Bay Initiative and was made possible by Fish and Wildlife partnering with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Ducks Unlimited, the New Jersey Wetlands Mitigation Council and Fish and Wildlife's Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee. Ducks Unlimited played a major role in the design and delivery of the cutting-edge water control structures.

We will be utilizing adaptive management strategies, adjusting to the seasonal or critical needs of wildlife using this habitat while maintaining recreational access. If you're in the area, I encourage you to visit Heislerville Wildlife Management Area and see for yourself the diversity of wildlife sharing the land.

*Marty McHugh is director of the Division of Fish & Wildlife.*

## Commissioner's Message

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proposals new life among legislators who may not appreciate the vital role of hunting and fishing in the traditions and economy of our state.

Happily, a broad range of hunters and anglers across the state have joined me in an open dialogue about how to get past this immediate controversy, to ensure that our wildlife management decisions remain grounded in sound science and continue to strengthen the Division's broader mission of preserving and enhancing biodiversity in New Jersey.

We can bring needed balance and safeguards to the Fish and Game Council's authority while defending and advancing the recreational interests of New Jersey's hunters and anglers. As we pursue this goal, I will continue to reach out to New Jersey's many sporting enthusiasts—from bow hunters to bass fishermen—to make sure we get it right.

*Bradley M. Campbell is Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.*

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## Deer Season Permits

Permit hunting seasons play a major role in the Division's deer management program. The three permit seasons provide a means to control hunting pressure, and thereby harvest, in each deer management zone to meet specific deer management objectives. With the additional harvest and recreational opportunity these seasons provide, an additional fee is charged for each permit.

- Permits are required to hunt during the permit bow, permit muzzleloader and permit shotgun seasons.
- **Permits are zone specific and are valid for the duration of the specified zone's permit season, even when that season extends into the 2005 calendar year.**
- Hunters are limited to purchasing **one permit per zone for each of the permit seasons.** Example: If you hunt only in Zone 19, you are limited to purchasing one muzzleloader, one bow and one shotgun permit for Zone 19. If you hunt in more than one zone you may purchase one muzzleloader, one bow and one shotgun permit for each zone.
- Regardless of how many permits one has, hunters are limited to taking **one buck** during each of the permit seasons. (See *Licenses and Permits* for details, page 21.)
- Either a regular, non-resident or youth hunting license is a prerequisite to purchasing a deer

permit. See page 4 for more information regarding hunting licenses.

- Muzzleloader season permits are not valid unless accompanied by both a valid rifle permit and a firearm or all-around hunting license.
- It is illegal to use a permit for a zone or season or hunter other than what is written on the permit. Deer permit violations are subject to a fine of \$100–\$500 for each offense.
- The cost per permit is \$28 for each adult and \$12 for each youth permit.

### Permits Available at Participating License Agents

- Permits may be purchased at participating license agents (listed on page 13) only for the following zones: **1–19, 21–31, 34–36, 41–43, 45–51, 55, 63 and 65.** (See *Mail-in Lottery Permits* for zones with lower quotas).
- Bow, muzzleloader and shotgun permits will be available for sale **beginning Saturday, Sept. 11, 2004.**
- Participating license agents will be selling permits through **Feb. 12, 2005.**
- Hours of operation and types of payment accepted vary according to license agent.
- To purchase a permit at a license agent, a hunter **MUST** present his or her valid current year's hunting license.

- Hunters need not be present; a person may purchase a permit for an absent hunter only if he or she shows the hunter's valid hunting license. **Photocopies of licenses are not accepted.**
- The **hunter** is responsible to know in what zone and season he or she wants to hunt.
- Hunters are urged to review their permit **before** leaving the license agent.
- Once a permit has been paid for and leaves the store, **there will be no returns, exchanges or refunds. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- As with licenses, hunters are reminded to keep the purchaser's copy in a separate, safe location. This is their receipt and proof of permit, should the original be lost.

### Special Area Deer Management Zones

- Special areas include Federal Military Installments, certain state and county parks and national wildlife refuges.
- Zone dependent, permits are either purchased over-the-counter at the special area, or through the mail in lottery.
- There may be specific, qualifying criteria which hunters must meet before obtaining a permit. Some zones are not open to the public.

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## Deer Season Permits

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- Refer to the *Special Area Hunting Seasons* section on page 35 for specific details and instructions.

### Military Zones

Military base zones include the following: Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54), Earle NWS (Zones 39 & 40), Lakehurst NAES (Zone 53), FAA Tech Center (Zone 66) and Fort Dix (Zones 37 & 52). All have lower quotas and a limited amount of permits will be made available. Due to heightened security measures, permits for most military base zones will be available for purchase only at each base location except permits for Ft. Dix, Zones 37 and 52, will be sold through the mail-in lottery. Permits will be available beginning Sept. 13, 2004, however please refer to the Special Area Section on page 35 for complete details. For the FAA Tech. Center, see Special Areas on page 36 for Zone 66.

### Mail-In Lottery Permits

Zones which have a limited permit quota necessitate a mail in lottery. Hunters may apply for a total of four deer permits (two bow, two firearm) through the mail-in lottery. Two random lotteries will be conducted. The first lottery will choose applicants from the first lottery section of the permit application.

The second lottery will assign permits leftover from the first lottery. These permits will be assigned, where available, to applicants completing the second lottery section of the application.

**The second lottery is NOT a continuation of the first lottery.** The computer will attempt to fill the first, second, or third choice of each applicant in the second lottery *independent* of any previous request in the first lottery. If permits remain after both computerized lotteries are conducted, they will be available for purchase over-the-counter at selected Division offices.

- Permits will be available by lottery for the following zones: **37, 38, 52, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 64 and 67.**
- Application and instructions can be found on page 6 and 7.
- Applications must be **postmarked by Aug. 31, 2004.**
- **Only ONE application per hunter.** If you make a mistake do not submit a second application. The computer will automatically void both applications. See *Notification*, below.
- Consult the permit quotas for lottery zones table on the table below to ascertain your chances of winning a permit. This table shows last year's permit quotas and the number of applicants, you can use it to compare to this year's permit quotas.

returned for correction, to be resubmitted promptly.

- Any applicant not selected to receive a permit will receive a notice of non-selection. A refund, minus a \$2 application fee, will be issued at a later date.
- All applicants will receive notification by Oct. 18 for bow permits, and Oct. 22 for shotgun and muzzleloader permits.
- If you have not received notification by these dates, contact the Division.
- Hunters not receiving a deer permit *or* notice of non-selection must contact the Division before the end of the appropriate season or the hunter will not receive a refund for undeliverable permits or those lost in the mail.
- For questions concerning the permit process, call the 24-hour automated permit hotline: (609) 292-9192.

### Over-the-Counter Sale of Leftover Lottery Permits

- Should there be leftover permits after both computerized lotteries are conducted, they will be sold over-the-counter at selected Division offices.
- Leftover permits will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Sale of permits will be Mondays through Fridays only, **tentatively beginning Monday Oct. 25, 2004.**
- During the week of Oct. 18, 2004, check the Web site or call the 24-hour automated permit hotline at (609) 292-9192 for more detailed information.

### Notification

- Late applications will be returned.
- Incorrect or incomplete applications will be

### 2004 Permit Quotas For Lottery Zones

This table shows the permit quotas for 2003 along with the number of applicants who requested that zone as their first choice in the first lottery. The 2004 Permit Quota is also listed. Hunters can ascertain their chances of winning a permit by looking at the number of permits allotted (the permit quota) and comparing them to the number of permits requested.

ZONE	2003 Permit Bow Quota	1st Choice Bow Requests 2003	2004 Permit Bow Quota	2003 Permit Shotgun Quota	1st Choice Shotgun Requests 2003	2004 Permit Shotgun Quota	2003 Permit Muzzleloader Quota	1st Choice Muzzleloader Requests 2003	2004 Permit Muzzleloader Quota
37*	190	140	190	75	17	75	300	218	300
38	0	0	0	290	330	390	10	6	10
52*	65	30	65	25	13	25	180	68	180
56	0	0	0	25	24	25	0	0	0
57	40	22	40	40	19	40	40	9	40
58	50	52	50	75	82	75	50	32	50
59	35	40	35	75	22	75	25	16	25
61	40	21	40	80	28	80	40	12	40
64	0	0	0	100	153	100	0	0	0
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\* See Fort Dix segment in the Special Hunting Section on page 36.

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## PERMITS & STAMPS

# 2004 New Jersey Duck Stamp Print



**The Retriever Puppy Series, Print II—  
The Yellow Lab Puppy**

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee proudly announces its 21st Edition waterfowl stamp painted by artist Phillip Crowe. The second in the Retriever Puppy Series, the stamp features a yellow Labrador retriever and a hooded merganser crafted by New Jersey decoy carver John Potts.


Proceeds from sales of New Jersey's duck stamps and prints are used to acquire wetlands for waterfowl habitat and public use. To date, funds raised total more than \$3.9 million. More than 13,000 acres of waterfowl habitat have already been acquired, and the stamp advisory committee will continue working to enhance thousands of additional acres to benefit wildlife.

The stamp artist attended Ringling School of Art in Sarasota, Fla., and Crowe's learning experience there laid the groundwork for his love of painting. Crowe's artwork has raised millions of dollars for many organizations including Ducks Unlimited, Quail Unlimited, the National Wild Turkey Federation and the Nature Conservancy. He also has donated his time at charity events such as the Louise Mandrell Celebrity Shoot and has helped raise money for the Boy Scouts of America and the Ruffed Grouse Society.

Potts, a self-employed house painter, began carving in 1985 while recovering from surgery. He spent time in Louisiana studying with Tan Brunet, widely regarded as one of the world's best carvers. Potts has since earned more than 600 awards in state and national competitions and also is a well-respected judge among competing waterfowl carvers. He has donated many carvings to charitable organizations including Ducks Unlimited, the New Jersey Waterfowlers, hospitals and animal shelters.


Limited-edition, signed and numbered prints of the 21st New Jersey waterfowl stamp can be purchased directly from the Division of Fish & Wildlife. To order a print, visit [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or send a self-addressed, stamped #10 envelope to: Waterfowl Prints, N.J. Division of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400.

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Shire Products, Inc.	389 S. Lincoln Ave.	Vineland	(856) 692-3646
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Bullet Hole Inc.	78 Rutgers Street	Belleville	(973) 759-3968
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Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc.	399 Almonesson Road	Deptford	(856) 384-8533
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Kmart #3060	222 Bridgeton Pike Route 45	Mantua	(856) 468-7575
Wal-Mart Store #1742	3501 Route 42	Turnersville	(856) 629-3888
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Sportsman's Rendezvous	174 Route 31 North	Flemington	(908) 788-5828
Skyline Equipment Llc.	2020 Route 31 North	Glen Gardner	(908) 538-3160
Boan's Marine	1296 Route 179	Lambertville	(609) 397-3311
Lebanon Bait & Sport	1110 Route 22 West	Lebanon	(908) 236-9466
Wal-Mart #5069	3576 Route 22 West	Whitehouse Station	(908) 534-7377
<b>MERCER</b>			
Delaware River Outfitters	145 Route 31 N.	Pennington	(609) 466-7970
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Harry's Army & Navy Store	691 Route 130	Robbinsville	(609) 585-5450
<b>MIDDLESEX</b>			
Dick's Sporting Goods	325 Route 18	East Brunswick	(732) 651-3284
Kmart #3339	645 Route 18	East Brunswick	(732) 238-6464
All Season's Sports & Taxidermy	1938 Englishtown Road	Monroe Twp	(732) 521-1616
S & B Sportsman Shop	2166 Route 130	North Brunswick	(732) 297-5129
Wal-Mart #2003	979 Route 1 South	North Brunswick	(732) 545-4499
Sayreville Sportsman	52 Washington Rd	Sayreville	(732) 238-2060
Auto Parts Of Woodbridge	108 Main Street	Woodbridge	(732) 634-6264
Galyan's Trading Post	366 Woodbridge Center Drive	Woodbridge	(732) 621-8400
The Sports Authority	931 Route 1 South	Woodbridge	(732) 634-3050
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Arjay Sportsmen Shop	54 1st Ave	Atlantic Highlands	(732) 291-1618
Fisherman's Den Inc.	Belmar Marina Hwy 35	Belmar	(732) 681-5005
Dick's Sporting Goods #103	55 Rt. 9 South, Suite 400	Manalapan	(732) 787-5016
The Sportsman's Shop	Hwy 35 & 3rd Ave	Neptune City	(732) 775-9044
T & A Tackle And Bait	369 Highway 36	Port Monmouth	(732) 787-3853
The Sports Authority Inc	Consumer Sq. Shop. Ctn.	West Long Branch	(732) 389-8334
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The Sports Authority Inc.	142 Route 10 West	East Hanover	(973) 884-4022
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County Line Sport Shop	10 Route 46	Hackettstown	(908) 852-9897
Ramsey Outdoor Store	1039 Route 46	Ledgewood	(973) 584-7799
The Country Sportsman	63 Hamburg Tpk.	Riverdale	(973) 839-7622
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Downes Bait & Tackle	287 Brennan Concourse	Bayville	(732) 269-0137
Pells Fish And Sport	335 Mantoloking Rd	Brick	(732) 477-2121
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## Highlights of Important Changes in the 2004–2005 Hunting and Trapping Regulations

New Jersey sportsmen and women can look forward to another exceptional hunting season that will offer a wide range of opportunities to hunt waterfowl, upland game and deer, from early September through mid-February. The New Jersey Fish and Game Council made few changes in the 2004–2005 Game Code for the hunting and trapping seasons. For details, see the regulations sections of this *Digest*. Following are highlights of some regulation revisions and calendar changes:

**Lead Shot Exception Eliminated:** The Game Code eliminates an exception that allowed lead shot to be used for hunting coot, snipe, rail or gallinule, and now requires federally approved, nontoxic shot to be used for hunting these species at all times. Regulations previously allowed the use of lead shot because nontoxic shot was unavailable in the small sizes and gauges typically used for hunting these species. For additional information, including season dates and bag limits, see the *New Jersey 2004–05 Migratory Bird Regulations* supplement available in September.

**Small Game Hunting Seasons:** The regular small game season for rabbits, pheasant, quail and chukar partridge begins at 8 a.m. on Nov. 13, 2004. The season for grouse and squirrel begins on Sept.

25, 2004. See the *Small Game Hunting Regulations* section of this *Digest* for season dates, bag limits and other regulations.

**Permit Bow Deer Season:** At the request of sportsmen, the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before Thanksgiving (Nov. 22–24, 2004) were reinstated as hunting days, **except** in Zones 7 through 15, 36, 41, 49, 50 and 51 (Earn-A-Buck zones). The Earn-A-Buck zones will remain closed on these dates to avoid conflict with the shotgun and muzzleloader permit deer seasons, during which hunters are restricted to harvesting antlerless deer.

**Special Youth Deer Day:** Youth Deer Hunting Day will be Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004. See the “Youth Hunting Opportunities” section of the *Digest* for additional information on the special youth hunting days for waterfowl, pheasant, turkey and deer.

**Six-day Firearm Deer Season:** The six-day buck season is Dec. 6–11, 2004. (Traditionally, the season begins on the second Monday after Thanksgiving.)

**Permit Shotgun Deer Season:** The one-day season was expanded to three days, and the bag limit was increased to two deer from one deer (two antlerless or one antlered and one antlerless)

in Zone 18 only. Zone 18 is located in northern Ocean County and includes the Collier’s Mills, Manchester and Whiting Wildlife Management Areas. Seasons formats and bag limits remain unchanged for all other regular management zones.

**Special Deer Management Areas:** Minor adjustments were made to season dates, bag limits and permit quotas in seven special deer management zones. Refer to the “Special Area Deer Hunting Season Information” section of the *Digest* for additional information on dates, bag limits, public access and other regulations.

For specific information on deer season dates, bag limits and other regulations according to management zones, see the “Deer Regulations Sets” and “Deer Hunting Regulations” sections of the *Digest*.

**Beaver Trapping:** The regular beaver permit quota was increased to 186 permits from 175 permits. This change offers greater recreational opportunity for up to 11 trappers and will enhance efforts to manage local beaver populations. The bag limit remains eight beavers per regular season permit. The special permit application period for beaver and otter is Oct. 15 to Nov. 15.

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# General Hunting Regulations

**This is not the full law. Consult the Division of Fish and Wildlife for further details. All persons are reminded that the statutes, code and regulations are the legal documents.**

No person shall hunt except as prescribed by law. See section "Permits for Hunters with Disabling Conditions," page 6, for special rules.

Persons required by law to wear corrective lenses to operate a motor vehicle (as noted on a valid driver's license) must wear corrective lenses when hunting with a bow or firearm of any kind.

## .22 Rifles

A valid rifle permit must be possessed while hunting with a .22 caliber rifle.

It is unlawful to possess and use .22 caliber rifle except while hunting woodchuck, [no rifle hunting on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs)] hunting raccoon and opossum with hounds, and dispatching trapped animals other than muskrat.

.22 caliber rifles must be loaded with short cartridges only, except when hunting woodchuck.

.22 caliber rifles need not be plugged, but must be loaded with no more than three shells. No 10–17 year olds may hunt with any rimfire or centerfire rifle.

See chart on page 51 for details on small caliber rifle ammunition legal for hunting woodchucks.

## Bow and Arrow

"Bow" means any long bow, recurve bow or compound bow that is hand held and hand drawn, with no mechanical device built into it or attached to it that will enable the archer to lock the bow at a full or partial draw. All draw locking and draw holding devices are prohibited. Hand held release devices are permitted.

All bows must have a minimum draw weight of 35 pounds at the archer's draw length, except compounds, which must have a minimum peak draw weight of 35 pounds. All arrows used for hunting deer, turkey, coyote or woodchuck must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal head with a minimum width of 3/4 inches.

Arrows fitted with heads other than specified for deer, turkey, coyote or woodchuck may be carried in the woods and fields during the small game season or other seasons which overlap with the bow and arrow deer season.

### It is unlawful to:

- use a crossbow or variation,
- use or possess a poison arrow or one with an explosive tip,
- use a bow one-half hour after sunset until one-half hour before sunrise during any season,
- use a bow and arrow from any vehicle, moving or stationary,
- have both a firearm and bow in possession or under control while hunting.

## Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Regulations

The importation of any live deer or elk into New Jersey is prohibited. This ban is intended to prevent the introduction of disease into New

Jersey. All testing of New Jersey's wild deer herd indicates it is healthy and there are no known cases of CWD.

New Jersey hunters who hunt in other states may bring back to New Jersey legally harvested deer and elk as long as all laws and regulations from the state of origin are satisfied. When hunting out-of-state, sportsmen and women are urged to comply with all disease control recommendations for the state in which the game is harvested.

## Dogs—Hunting and Training

Allowing dogs to run at large is prohibited.

Persons may train dogs without firearms in daylight at any time except during any open firearm deer season.

No person shall train a raccoon or opossum hunting dog on WMAs other than during the periods of Sept. 1 to Oct. 1, 2004 and from Mar. 1 to May 1, 2005. Training hours shall be one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.

It is illegal to use dogs to pursue or run black bear or to track wounded deer or bear.

Note: For special areas and regulations for dog training on WMAs see the section of Wildlife Management Area Regulations, page 58.

### SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED:

- Carrying a loaded firearm or nocked arrow within 450 feet of an occupied building or any school playground is prohibited, except the owner or lessee of a building and persons specifically authorized by him in writing may hunt within 450 feet of the building. Note: persons authorized to hunt within 450 feet of a building must be in the possession of the written permission when hunting.
- Discharging a firearm or a bow and arrow on or across highways or roads. Discharging a firearm or a bow and arrow from a motor vehicle.
- Hunting for or shooting any wildlife by aid of a light, except when hunting raccoon, coyote or opossum while on foot.
- Hunting or shooting with the aid of a light attached to or carried in a vehicle.
- On national wildlife refuges, the distribution of bait and/or hunting over bait is prohibited.
- Hunting with arrows, darts or any other device propelled by any means that is used for the purpose of injecting or delivering any type of drug into an animal.
- Using electronic calling devices except when hunting for fox, raccoon, crow and coyote.
- Loaded firearms in a motor vehicle. Possession of a loaded firearm in or upon a vehicle is considered proof of pursuing or taking of wildlife.
- Transporting an uncased firearm in a motor vehicle.
- Shooting into a squirrel's nest.

### The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, the following apply:

- Baiting is prohibited.
- No permanent tree stands or screw-in steps are permitted.
- You cannot possess a loaded firearm while on any publicly traveled roadway within the area.

## Falconry

No person shall use a raptor for hunting without a falconry permit and a valid hunting license. No person under 14 years of age may hunt

by means of a raptor. Hunting *migratory* birds with raptors on Sunday is prohibited.

Falconry permits will be issued only to persons who pass a comprehensive examination and who can provide proper facilities for housing a raptor.

Beginning falconers must be sponsored by an experienced falconer.

No person shall possess a firearm while hunting with raptors.

For additional information, write to the Division of Fish and Wildlife, or call (908) 735-8793.

## Farmer Regulations

The occupant of a farm may allow his or her dog to run at large on land he or she occupies, except during the firearm deer seasons.

Farmers and their lessees occupying or farming their land, members of their immediate families, or their farming employees may kill crows, woodchuck and fox on farm property at any time when found destroying livestock or crops. However, they must use legal firearms, ammunition and other lawful procedures.

Farmers may trap foxes destroying poultry, crops or property at any time, subject to state law and local ordinances. Farmers or their agents may shoot or trap coyotes by lawful procedures at any time when found destroying livestock or crops. A regional Division law enforcement office must be notified within 24 hours of killing a coyote.

## Firearms and Missiles

A person may not go into the woods or fields with a firearm except during prescribed seasons.

Airguns are not legal hunting firearms.

It is unlawful to possess in the woods and fields shot larger than #4 fine shot except for hunting deer, bear, waterfowl, woodchuck (farmers only) or coyote. Rimfire and centerfire rifles not legal to hunt deer

For hunting, rimfire and centerfire rifles is not capable of holding more than three shells at one time. Rifles need not be plugged but may not be loaded with more than three rounds.

## Hunter Orange

Hunters must wear a cap made of daylight fluorescent orange or an outer garment containing at least 200 square inches of fluorescent orange material visible from all sides at all times while engaged in hunting. A camo-orange hat alone is not adequate.

This applies to all persons while hunting deer, bear, rabbit, hare, squirrel, fox, railbirds, and game birds including while in a tree stand.

Exceptions: this law does not apply to waterfowl, crow, wild turkey, coyote, woodchuck nor bow-hunters except that a bow hunter using a deer decoy must wear hunter orange, as described above, while transporting the decoy into and out of the woods and fields.

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# General Hunting Regulations

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## Muzzleloading Rifles

It is unlawful to use smokeless powder in a muzzleloader while hunting in New Jersey.

Properly licensed and permitted hunters 10 years and older may hunt with a muzzleloading rifle. A valid rifle permit must be possessed while hunting with a muzzleloading rifle.

It is unlawful to hunt with a muzzleloading rifle on WMAs, except for deer, bear and squirrel hunting during the special season in certain zones. For muzzleloader rifle squirrel hunting, see page 51. For muzzleloader deer hunting, see page 21. For rifle permit information, see page 5.

## Non-Resident Game Removal

A non-resident licensee may remove from the state each day a daily bag limit of game. However, a non-resident may not take more than two day's bag limit from the state after one week's stay (Sunday to Saturday inclusive). This does not apply to game raised or killed at a licensed commercial preserve and legally tagged.

## Possession Of Certain Wildlife By Persons, Taxidermists & Butchers

No person shall have in possession a deer, bear or turkey that he himself or she herself did not kill unless it has a tag bearing the name, address, telephone number, license and permit numbers of the person who killed the deer, bear or turkey. Those in the business of processing deer, bear or turkey, that is butchers, taxidermists, etc., shall keep a ledger of all of their customers. Each customer's name, current address, day and evening telephone numbers, hunting license number, and

possession seal number of any black bear, deer or turkey being processed shall be included in the ledger. The ledger shall be made available for inspection upon request during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by any law enforcement officer or employee of the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

## Sunday Hunting

No person may hunt with firearms or any other weapon or carry a gun in the woods or fields or on the waters on Sunday: except on semi-wild and commercial shooting preserve lands for the purpose of shooting stocked game; and when using a .22 rifle for dispatching trapped animals.

Persons are allowed to hunt raccoon or opossum between midnight on Saturday and one hour before sunrise on Sunday during the prescribed season.

## Trespass Law

Hunters and trappers must have permission (oral or written) from the landowner or lessee prior to entering both posted lands and agricultural lands (which are not required to be posted). Hunters also must obtain permission to enter posted land and agricultural land for the purpose of recovering deer. Obtaining written permission to hunt or trap on all private land and having that document with you afield is recommended, as written permission is the only legal defense to a trespass charge. See page 59 for the Hunt SMART Courtesy Card.

Hunters must not hunt in unharvested crops without first obtaining permission from the owner. Anyone causing damage to cultivated crops, orchards, fences, buildings or livestock may be arrested without warrant by the owner, occupant, lessee, or any officer of the law. Violators are liable for a fine of up to \$2,000 and restitution to

the property owner in addition to the loss of hunting privileges for a period of two years.

## Wildlife

**Taxidermists note:** The sale of wild birds and game animals or parts thereof is prohibited in New Jersey. Legally trapped furbearers may be sold. Questions concerning the above should be directed to regional Division law enforcement offices.

It is illegal to capture, kill, injure or have in possession any wild bird other than a game bird.

No one may rob a bird's nest.

The removal of the skin or feathers or mutilation of any wild bird or mammal in the woods or fields for the purpose of concealing sex or identity is illegal.

All nongame mammals, reptiles, birds and amphibians are protected. Penalties for taking these species range from \$250–\$5,000.

There is no open season on bobcats. It is illegal to kill, attempt to kill or possess bobcats, except parts of bobcats legally taken in other states may be possessed but not sold in New Jersey.

## Wildlife Damage Control

Property owners and occupants of dwellings, or their agents designated in writing, suffering damage from squirrel, raccoon, opossum, skunk, weasel, woodchuck, gray fox, red fox and coyote may control these animals by lawful procedures at any time subject to state law and local ordinances. Farmers or their agents may also control the above species by lawful procedures when found destroying livestock, crops or poultry at any time subject to state and local ordinances. Note: persons who kill a coyote must notify a Fish and Wildlife Regional Law Enforcement Offices within 24 hours.

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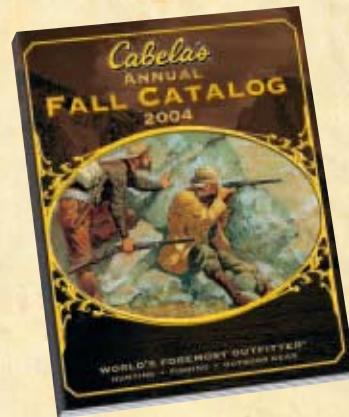


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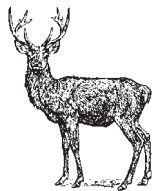
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# Deer Hunting Regulations

**Legal Deer Hunting Hours: half hour before sunrise to half hour after sunset**

Only **ONE** antlered deer may be taken per season statewide, EXCEPT during the Six-Day Firearm Season, regardless of the number of special season permits in possession. **To be legal, all deer harvested must be registered at an official deer check station (see page 44) and have a metal possession seal affixed to the deer. Only after registering the first deer may a hunter take or attempt to take another deer, where legal, unless specifically written as an exception.**



## Licenses and Permits

- See pages 4 and 5 for details on license, permit and Hunter Education requirements.
- Additional hunting licenses may not be purchased in order to harvest additional deer.
- Although hunters may purchase multiple deer permits, **they are limited to only ONE permit from a given zone during each of the permit seasons.** For example, a hunter may buy a muzzleloader permit for Zones 18, 21 and 24, however he/she may not purchase 2 muzzleloader permits for Zone 24. A hunter may purchase a bow permit, a muzzleloader permit and a shotgun permit for Zone 24, however he/she may not purchase 2 bow permits (or 2 shotgun permits or 2 muzzleloader permits) for Zone 24.
- It is unlawful to use a bow and arrow for hunting deer using a firearm license or shotgun or muzzleloader deer permit.

## Key Concepts and Definitions

- **Antlered deer** is defined as any deer with at least one antler measuring at least three inches in length as defined below.
- **Antlerless deer** is defined as any deer that does not have an antler length measuring at least three inches. For the purposes of this definition, adult deer that have shed their antlers are considered antlerless deer.
- **Antler Point** is defined as any point at least one inch long from its tip to its base line, and the length must exceed the width at some location at least one inch down from the tip.
- **Antler length** is defined as the maximum length of a deer antler measured from the lowest outside edge of the antler burr along the outer curve to the most distant point of what is or appears to be the main antler beam. For the purposes of this definition, the antler length does not include the pedicel or portion of skull between the skull plate and base of the antler point.
- **Earn-A-Buck** zones include Zones 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 36, 38, 40, 41, 49, 50, 51 and 67. The **first** deer harvested by the sportsmen from these zones during any open season through Dec. 11, 2004 must be an antlerless deer as defined above. Earn-A-Buck is a tool to reduce the growth of deer herds in areas where the harvest of antlerless animals under regular

harvest guidelines is insufficient to reach desired population levels. The number of antlerless deer harvested, including does, is increased substantially in Earn-A-Buck zones.

- **Quality Deer Management** zones include Zones 3, 6, 9, 13, 27, 29, 35, 37, 40, 59, 63 and 67. The harvest of antlered deer from these zones during any open season is restricted to deer having at least one antler having a minimum of three antler points as defined above. The general goal of Quality Deer Management is to reduce harvest pressure on the 1-1/2 year old antlered deer in the expectation that they will survive to produce larger antlers as older animals.
- **Special Area Deer Management** zones include Zones 37, 38, 39, 40, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 64, 66 and 67. They are generally small, publicly owned properties administered by county, federal or state agencies (other than the Division of Fish and Wildlife) where deer season dates, bag limits or regulations differ from those of the surrounding deer management zone. See page 35-38 for details.
- **Youth Hunter** status applies to the possessor of a valid Youth Hunting License (or the immediate member of a qualified occupant farmer who is at least 10 years of age) and continues until Dec. 31 of the year in which he or she turns 16 years of age. The **Youth Deer Hunt Day is Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004.** The bag limit for

youth hunters on this day is ONE deer of either sex. Point restrictions do not apply to deer taken on this day by youth hunters. See *Regulation Sets* beginning on page 28; see also page 71.

## Firearms, Ammunition and Sights

- See page 15 for general hunting regulations which also apply to deer hunting.
- **All Firearms must be cased and unloaded while being transported in vehicles.** A muzzleloader is considered unloaded when, in the case of a percussion cap rifle or shotgun, the percussion cap has been removed from the nipple; in the case of a flintlock, when the powder is removed from the pan and a boot or cover made of nonmetallic material is placed over the frizzen.
- Hunters using or possessing **any shotgun slug** in the field during the deer seasons must have a shotgun with adjustable open iron or peep **sights** or a scope affixed to the shotgun.
- **Telescopic sights** of any magnification (scope power) are permitted for deer hunting on **all** firearms, including muzzleloader rifles and smoothbore muzzleloader shotguns. No permits are required for telescopic sights.
- Shotgun shells containing single spherical projectiles referred to as **pumpkin balls** are **prohibited.**

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## Firearms, Bows and Ammunition Legal for Deer Hunting:

Season(s)	Weapon Type	Gauge, Caliber or Weight	Projectile(s)	Firearm sights; Bow releases
<b>Fall bow</b> <b>Permit bow</b> <b>Winter bow</b>	<b>Bow</b> —long, recurve or compound	35 pounds pull at archer's draw length (long and recurve bows) or peak weight (compound bow)	Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4"	Hand-held release devices are permitted
<b>Permit muzzleloader</b>	<b>Muzzleloader</b> —rifle or smoothbore, single-barrel, single-shot. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted. Double-barrel firearms prohibited	<b>Rifle</b> —not less than .44 caliber <b>Smoothbore</b> —not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	Must be loaded with a single projectile only	Telescopic sights permitted
<b>Six-day firearm</b>	<b>Shotgun</b> —single or double barrel, rifled bore or smoothbore	Not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than three shells	<b>Slugs</b> —lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabot slug <b>Buck shot</b> —sizes not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Shotgun must have an adjustable open iron or peep sight or a scope affixed if hunter is hunting with or in possession of slugs
	<b>Muzzleloader</b> —single-shot, single barrel rifle OR single or double-barrel smoothbore shotgun. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted	<b>Muzzleloading rifle</b> —single shot not less than .44 caliber <b>Smoothbore</b> —single or double-barrel not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	<b>Muzzleloading rifle</b> —single projectile <b>Smoothbore</b> —buck shot not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Telescopic sights permitted
<b>Permit shotgun</b>	<b>Shotgun</b> —single or double barrel, rifled bore or smoothbore	Not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than three shells	<b>Slugs</b> —lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabot slug <b>Buck shot</b> —sizes not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	Shotgun must have an adjustable open iron or peep sight or a scope affixed if hunter is hunting with or in possession of slugs
	<b>Muzzleloader</b> —single or double-barrel <i>smoothbores</i> only (no rifles). Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted	Not smaller than 20 gauge and not larger than 10 gauge	<b>Buck shot</b> —sizes not smaller than #4 (0.24") nor larger than #000 (0.36")	

## Deer Hunting Regulations

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- While deer hunting with a shotgun, it is illegal to have in possession any ammunition not authorized for deer hunting.
- Only **one** muzzleloading rifle or smoothbore muzzleloader may be in possession while deer hunting.
- Only **black powder or black powder equivalents**, including Clean Shot, GOEX Clear Shot and Pyrodex, may be used with a muzzleloading firearm when engaged in hunting. Modern smokeless powder is strictly prohibited while hunting game with a muzzleloading firearm.
- **Special Area Deer Management Zones** may have regulations that **differ** from the statewide regulations. See page 35 for details.

### Baiting Regulation

- Baiting is allowed for deer hunting. Hunters may hunt for deer while in a tree, on the ground, or in a structure and from any height and any distance from the bait pile. Hunters should check with the landowner or administrative agency before placing bait on their hunting area as baiting is **not** allowed on properties such as national wildlife refuges.

### Decoys and Electronic Devices

- **Persons may hunt with the aid of deer decoys statewide in those zones open for deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow Seasons only.** When carrying or moving deer decoys for the purpose of hunting, persons must wear a fluorescent orange hat or other garment consisting of at least 200 square inches of fluorescent orange material, which shall be visible from all sides as currently required for firearm deer hunting.
- It is unlawful to hunt for deer with the aid of an electronic calling device or any device, that casts a beam of light upon the deer.

### Bag Limits

- Properly licensed hunters are limited to taking one antlered buck per season (regardless of the number of permits purchased) during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow, Permit Muzzleloader, Permit Shotgun and Winter Bow seasons. Two antlered bucks may be taken during the Six-Day Firearm season. **Exception:** *If two antlered bucks are taken during the Six-Day Firearm season, the antlered buck bag limit for Permit Shotgun is zero. HUNTER'S CHOICE: take two antlered bucks during Six-Day Firearm, or one antlered buck during Six-Day Firearm and one antlered buck during Permit Shotgun.* The antlerless bag limit for these seasons will include one, two or unlimited depending on the zone and season. The bag limit for Six-Day Firearm remains at two antlered bucks.
- Two deer may be taken at a time in Zones 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 25, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 48, 49, 50, 51, 54, 64 and 66 during the Permit Muzzleloader and Permit Shotgun seasons, respectively (in those zones open for those seasons), until the season concludes.

### Tagging Requirements

- Hunters taking an *antlered* deer must have an Antlered Buck Stub from their current and valid hunting license and must **immediately** detach, date and initial the buck stub valid for that season in which the antlered deer is harvested. All harvested deer shall be tagged immediately with a completely filled in "transportation tag" and shall be transported directly to the closest deer check station before 8:00 p.m. EDT or EST, whichever is in effect during the Fall Bow Season and before 7:00 p.m. EST during all other seasons.
- Upon checking the deer, the transportation tag, and buck stub if applicable, **must** be surrendered to the check station operator.
- **Transportation tags from 2004 permits ARE VALID for the entire length of the permit bow, muzzleloader or shotgun seasons, including January and February 2005, if the zone specified on the original permit is open for hunting during these dates. Do NOT use the buck stub from your 2005 firearm license in January or February!**
- ALL Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags are valid **immediately** for taking another deer on the day of issuance.

### After Harvesting a Deer: Mandatory Deer Check Requirement

1. **Tag your deer**—Complete all requested information in ink. Deer transportation tags must be completed, detached from license or permit, and securely attached to the deer **immediately** after it has been killed.
2. **Upon killing an antlered buck**, hunters must **immediately** date, initial and detach the *antlered buck stub* valid for that season from their 2004 license and attach the stub to the deer along **with** the transportation tag. *Do NOT use the buck stub from your 2005 firearm license in January or February!*
3. **All hunters are required to register harvested deer.** Bring your deer to the official deer check station (see page 44) **closest** to where you harvested the deer. While deer must be **open to view at all times** when being transported (even after registration at a deer check station), be discrete when transporting deer to and from a check station, butcher or taxidermist.
4. **Deer must be taken by the person who killed the deer**, on the day killed, to the **closest** deer check station by 8:00 p.m. EDT during the regular Fall Bow Season, and by 7:00 p.m. EST during all other seasons. The transportation tag, and buck stub if applicable, **must** be surrendered to the check station operator. Personnel at the check station will attach a legal, metal possession seal to the deer, and, if applicable, will issue a New Jersey Supplemental Transportation Tag for the harvest of another deer.
5. **Remember:** Bring your hunting license and applicable deer season permit to the deer check station.

### What should be done when a deer is recovered too late to register at a check station?

1. **Go home and immediately call the nearest NJ Fish & Wildlife Law Enforcement Office.**

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2. **Leave a message on the recorder** with your name, phone number, hunting license number and state from which deer management zone the deer was taken.
3. **Check your deer the following morning at the closest deer check station to your home.** If weather conditions necessitate butchering the deer immediately, you must bring the head and hide to be checked the next day.

### After checking your deer— Possession/Sale

- Metal possession seals (affixed to deer at check stations) **must** be kept until all venison is consumed **and** as long as you keep any part or parts, including antlers, are kept. Persons with deer mounts should write their name, legal possession seal number, date of kill, and season of harvest on back of the mounting plate for future reference.
- It is illegal to sell deer meat, deer antlers or any part of a deer **except** deer hides. However, non-profit organizations conducting wild game dinners for social and fundraising events may offer game or furbearer meat (the sale of which is otherwise prohibited) provided that the meat had been harvested, stored and processed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

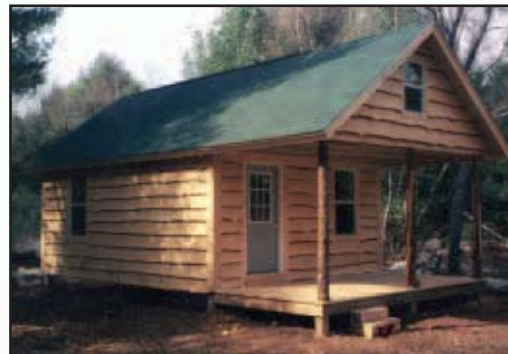
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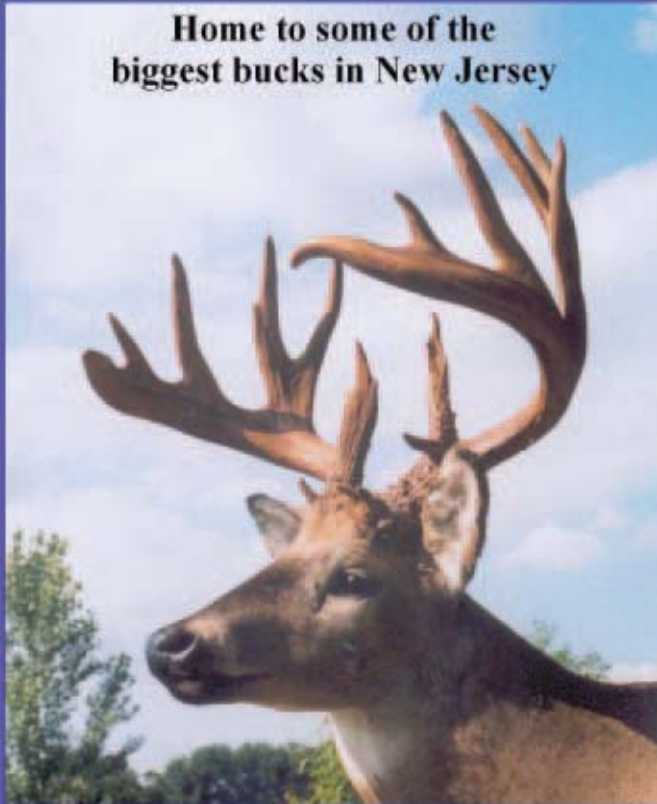
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# 2003–2004 Deer Harvest Summary

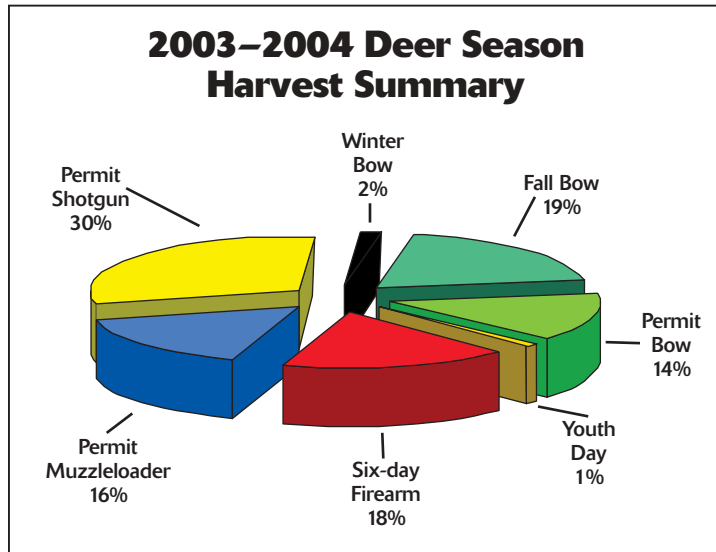
New Jersey deer hunters harvested 69,456 deer during the 2003–2004 season. This represents a 10 percent increase from the 2002–03 harvest of 63,031 deer. This increase is partially due to the addition of 17 Deer Management Zones included in the early open Fall Bow and extended Permit Bow seasons. The season total is the fourth highest in state history.

Total harvests for each of the six seasons and Youth Day were as follows: Fall Bow—13,420; Permit Bow—9,858; Six-day Firearm—12,322; Permit Shotgun—20,541; Permit Muzzleloader—11,236; Winter Bow—1,191; and Youth Day—888. The total harvest consisted of 23,307 antlered bucks and 46,149 antlerless deer.

Hunterdon County once again ranked highest in overall harvest (11,893), with Sussex County coming in second (6,625) and Warren County a close third (6,380).



## 2003–04 Total Deer Harvest By Season and Zone



COUNTY	Deer Seasons							Total 2003 Harvest
	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	Youth Day	Six-Day Firearm	Permit Muzzleloader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow	
Atlantic	550	428	77	1,007	774	1,096	66	3,998
Bergen	22	10	0	5	5	5	7	54
Burlington	885	635	82	1,247	1,043	2,031	90	6,013
Camden	141	120	17	225	113	208	14	838
Cape May	132	152	31	262	236	129	41	983
Cumberland	620	484	85	723	1,041	679	83	3,715
Essex	26	19	1	0	3	4	10	63
Gloucester	410	275	45	401	366	907	29	2,433
Hunterdon	2,772	1,947	97	1,819	1,546	3,589	123	11,893
Mercer	488	315	16	331	210	1,029	18	2,407
Middlesex	325	249	11	228	180	811	15	1,819
Monmouth	1,057	787	45	624	669	2,023	115	5,320
Morris	1,106	773	38	604	471	1,356	114	4,462
Ocean	641	522	56	925	734	918	99	3,895
Passaic	98	98	5	70	153	13	9	446
Salem	612	434	57	449	658	783	40	3,033
Somerset	1,286	994	39	580	435	1,533	170	5,037
Sussex	1,114	794	110	1,431	1,745	1,330	101	6,625
Union	9	5	0	3	0	7	3	27
Warren	1,124	815	76	1,383	851	2,087	44	6,380
Unknown	2	2	0	5	3	3	0	15
<b>State</b>	<b>13,420</b>	<b>9,858</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>12,322</b>	<b>11,236</b>	<b>20,541</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>69,456</b>

DMZ	DEER SEASONS							2003 Total
	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	Youth Day	Six-day Firearm	Permit Muzzleloader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow	
1	120	103	10	204	234	14	11	696
2	479	318	49	583	678	655	38	2800
3	122	139	7	108	232	17	12	637
4	180	166	24	219	416	18	47	1070
5	796	455	62	988	515	1490	25	4331
6	204	215	15	216	230	113	35	1028
7	453	368	31	475	320	875	18	2540
8	1304	871	41	1019	595	1831	60	5721
9	454	296	10	136	97	431	49	1473
10	859	619	30	674	592	1194	45	4013
11	467	347	20	324	296	670	9	2133
12	1104	807	35	654	591	1659	50	4900
13	663	503	10	134	100	420	149	1979
14	585	355	28	340	199	1038	34	2579
15	397	274	17	255	231	993	17	2184
16	414	322	22	294	334	410	26	1822
17	241	132	24	211	221	736	6	1571
18	107	122	13	195	156	6	31	630
19	353	227	24	335	317	915	25	2196
21	101	135	17	447	288	19	31	1038
22	141	61	13	72	49	92	12	440
23	121	160	16	433	269	10	28	1037
24	55	67	11	254	144	3	22	556
25	263	180	31	292	224	1016	4	2010
26	326	231	40	511	425	368	31	1932
27	180	147	21	161	223	246	10	988
28	370	205	28	210	338	279	19	1449
29	163	102	18	159	289	372	10	1113
30	64	70	16	120	109	100	22	501
31	146	103	8	79	143	134	15	628
34	161	180	39	308	293	177	49	1207
35	251	180	24	220	236	324	20	1255
36	92	75	0	17	13	44	16	257
37	29	25	2	13	100	2	3	174
38	closed	closed	closed	closed	5	169	closed	174
39	20	23	3	44	106	266	6	468
40	10	6	0	1	22	20	4	63
41	275	203	11	210	153	528	9	1389
42	102	61	11	140	77	391	4	786
43	37	54	7	92	97	4	8	299
45	40	71	16	137	229	5	14	512
46	48	52	17	247	163	15	19	561
47	68	48	4	75	98	102	5	400
48	195	119	13	202	115	728	12	1384
49	56	27	5	28	14	143	7	280
50	389	302	7	148	122	555	38	1561
51	235	162	7	151	83	623	46	1307
52	6	7	2	16	58	1	0	90
53	15	15	5	14	25	33	9	116
54	12	18	2	9	36	40	0	117
55	24	16	5	28	20	8	5	106
56	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	12	closed	12
57	7	4	closed	closed	5	10	closed	26
58	0	11	closed	closed	11	34	closed	56
59	closed	15	3	closed	2	15	closed	35
61	closed	2	0	10	4	16	closed	32
63	78	29	6	37	60	64	3	277
64	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	68	closed	68
65	33	37	8	72	71	8	13	242
66	5	16	closed	closed	1	11	10	43
67	closed	closed	closed	closed	162	closed	closed	162
Unk	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,420</b>	<b>9,858</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>12,322</b>	<b>11,236</b>	<b>20,541</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>69,456</b>

# REGULATIONS

## 2003–04 Deer Harvest Per Square Mile of Deer Range

Deer Mgmt. Zone	Deer Range (sq mi)	Antlered Buck Harvest per sq mi	Total Deer Harvest per sq mi
1	64	5.8	10.9
2	170	6.2	16.5
3	160	1.7	4.0
4	64	7.2	16.7
5	239	7.3	18.1
6	160	3.4	6.4
7	110	6.7	23.1
8	221	7.6	25.9
9	75	3.8	19.6
10	120	9.5	33.4
11	75	7.5	28.4
12	175	6.8	28.0
13	90	4.3	22.0
14	190	3.5	13.6
15	88	5.6	24.8
16	140	4.9	13.0
17	92	5.1	17.1
18	75	4.7	8.4
19	164	4.2	13.4
21	181	3.8	5.7
22	16	9.9	27.5
23	171	3.8	6.1
24	172	2.3	3.2
25	151	4.1	13.3
26	127	7.0	15.2
27	102	3.6	9.7
28	105	4.7	13.8
29	67	5.0	16.6
30	48	4.7	10.4
31	43	4.2	14.6
34	112	5.8	10.8
35	160	2.9	7.8
36	34	1.8	7.6
37	21	3.4	8.3
38	10	3.3	17.4
39	15	6.7	31.2
40	1	10.0	63.0
41	42	8.2	33.1
42	43	6.2	18.3
43	27	5.3	11.1
45	62	4.0	8.3
46	69	5.0	8.1
47	58	2.5	6.9
48	90	4.9	15.4
49	5	13.8	56.0
50	123	3.0	12.7
51	80	3.8	16.3
52	20	2.5	4.5
53	8	4.5	14.5
54	5	5.2	23.4
55	5	9.6	21.2
56	1	1.0	12.0
57	1	6.0	26.0
58	4	2.0	14.0
59	2	4.0	17.5
61	5	3.0	6.4
63	19	5.5	14.6
64	3	5.0	22.7
65	16	8.2	15.1
66	3.3	2.4	13.0
67	15	1.8	10.8
<b>STATE</b>	<b>4714.3</b>		

## 2004–05 NJ Deer Season Regulation Sets Reference Chart

*Color Coded to Regulation Sets (page 28) and Zone Map (page 40)*

ZONE	Season and bag limits may be found under the indicated Regulation Set
1	Regulation Set # 2
2	Regulation Set # 4
3	Regulation Set # 2
4	Regulation Set # 1
5	Regulation Set # 6
6	Regulation Set # 3
7	Regulation Set # 8
8	Regulation Set # 8
9	Regulation Set # 8
10	Regulation Set # 8
11	Regulation Set # 8
12	Regulation Set # 8
13	Regulation Set # 8
14	Regulation Set # 8
15	Regulation Set # 8
16	Regulation Set # 4
17	Regulation Set # 6
18	Regulation Set # 3
19	Regulation Set # 6
20	Zone is not designated
21	Regulation Set # 2
22	Regulation Set # 4
23	Regulation Set # 2
24	Regulation Set # 2
25	Regulation Set # 6
26	Regulation Set # 4
27	Regulation Set # 4
28	Regulation Set # 4
29	Regulation Set # 4
30	Regulation Set # 3
31	Regulation Set # 4
32	Zone is not designated
33	Zone is not designated
34	Regulation Set # 3

ZONE	Season and bag limits may be found under the indicated Regulation Set
35	Regulation Set # 4
36	Regulation Set # 8
37	Special Area Hunting Season
38	Special Area Hunting Season
39	Special Area Hunting Season
40	Special Area Hunting Season
41	Regulation Set # 8
42	Regulation Set # 6
43	Regulation Set # 2
44	Zone is not designated
45	Regulation Set # 2
46	Regulation Set # 2
47	Regulation Set # 4
48	Regulation Set # 6
49	Regulation Set # 8
50	Regulation Set # 8
51	Regulation Set # 8
52	Special Area Hunting Season
53	Special Area Hunting Season
54	Special Area Hunting Season
55	Regulation Set # 3
56	Special Area Hunting Season
57	Special Area Hunting Season
58	Special Area Hunting Season
59	Special Area Hunting Season
60	Zone is not designated
61	Special Area Hunting Season
62	Zone is not designated
63	Regulation Set # 4
64	Special Area Hunting Season
65	Regulation Set # 3
66	Special Area Hunting Season
67	Special Area Hunting Season

*No zones assigned to Regulation Sets 5 and 7.*

# Regulation Sets For The 2004–05 Deer Seasons

## Regulation Set #1

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sundays or Christmas Day in this zone
- Hunters must have a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2004 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

**Note:** Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked “valid for the taking of a 3rd or more deer” are not valid in any zone within Regulation Sets # 1, 2 or 3.

### ZONE(S): 4

**Fall Bow (24 days): Oct. 2–29, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. (See *Note* above.)

**Permit Bow (25 days): Oct. 30–Nov. 27, 2004**

Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. Hunters may purchase only one bow season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Youth Day (1 day): Nov. 20, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Six-day Firearm Season.

**Permit Muzzleloader (13 days): Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–29, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. Hunters may purchase only one muzzleloader season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 6–11, 2004** Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season.

**Permit Shotgun Season (1 day): Dec. 15, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer—which MUST be antlerless if two antlered deer were harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season. Hunters may purchase only one shotgun season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Winter Bow (26 days): Jan. 1–31, 2005** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. (See *Note* above.)



## Regulation Set #2

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sundays or Christmas Day in these zones.
- Hunters must have a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2004 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

**Note:** Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked “valid for the taking of a 3rd or more deer” are not valid in any zone within Regulation Sets # 1, 2 or 3.

### ZONE(S): 1, 3\*, 21, 23, 24, 43, 45, 46

\* Note: Any antlered deer taken in Zone 3 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.

**Fall Bow (24 days): Oct. 2–29, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. (See *Note* above.)

**Permit Bow (25 days): Oct. 30–Nov. 27, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. Hunters may purchase only one bow season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Youth Day (1 day): Nov. 20, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Six-day Firearm season.

**Permit Muzzleloader (21 days): Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and Jan. 1– 7, 2005** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. Hunters may purchase only one muzzleloader season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 6–11, 2004** Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season.

**Permit Shotgun Season (1 day): Dec. 15, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer—which MUST be antlerless if two antlered deer were harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season. Hunters may purchase only one shotgun season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Winter Bow (26 days): Jan. 1–31, 2005** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. (See *Note* above.)

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## REGULATIONS

# Regulation Sets For The 2004–05 Deer Seasons

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### Regulation Set #3

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sundays or Christmas Day in these zones.
- Hunters must have a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2004 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

**Note:** Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked “valid for the taking of a 3rd or more deer” are not valid in any zone within Regulation Sets # 1, 2 or 3.

**ZONE(S): 6\*, 18, 30, 34, 55, 65**

\* Note: Any antlered deer taken in Zone 6 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.

**Fall Bow (24 days): Oct. 2–29, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. (See *Note* above.)

**Permit Bow (25 days): Oct. 30–Nov. 27, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. Hunters may purchase only one bow season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Youth Day (1 day): Nov. 20, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Six-day Firearm season.

**Permit Muzzleloader (21 days): Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and Jan. 1–7, 2005** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. Hunters may purchase only one muzzleloader season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 6–11, 2004** Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season.

**Permit Shotgun Season (3 days): Dec. 15–17, 2004** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one shotgun season permit per zone. (See *Note* above.)

**Winter Bow (26 days): Jan. 1–31, 2005** Season bag limit is two deer; only ONE may be antlered. (See *Note* above.)



### Regulation Set #4

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sundays or Christmas Day in these zones.
- Hunters must have a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2004 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

**ZONE(S): 2, 16, 22, 26, 27\*, 28, 29\*, 31, 35\*, 47, 63\***

\* Note: Any antlered deer taken in Zones 27, 29, 35 or 63 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.

**Fall Bow (42 days):**  
First deer must be antlerless: Sept. 11–Oct. 1, 2004  
First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Oct. 2 to Oct. 29, 2004

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow (53 days): Oct. 30–Dec. 24, 27–31, 2004** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one bow season permit per zone.

**Youth Day (1 day): Nov. 20, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Six-day Firearm season.

**Permit Muzzleloader (27 days): Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 6–11, 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and Jan. 1–7, 2005** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one muzzleloader season permit per zone.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 6–11, 2004** Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season.

**Permit Shotgun Season (10 days): Dec. 15–17, 2004; and, Jan. 8–15, 2005** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one shotgun season permit per zone.

**Winter Bow (26 days): Jan. 1–31, 2005** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

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## REGULATIONS

# Regulation Sets For The 2004–05 Deer Seasons

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## Regulation Set #6

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sundays or Christmas Day in these zones.
- Hunters must have a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2004 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

### ZONE(S): 5, 17, 19, 25, 42 and 48

#### Fall Bow (42 days):

First deer must be antlerless: Sept. 11–Oct. 1, 2004

First deer may be antlered or antlerless: Oct. 2 to Oct. 29, 2004

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow (53 days): Oct. 30–Dec. 24, 27–31, 2004** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one bow season permit per zone.

**Youth Day (1 day): Nov. 20, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Six-day Firearm season.

#### Permit Muzzleloader (47 days):

Antlerless deer only: Dec. 6–11, 2004

Antlered or Antlerless: Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 6–11, 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and Jan. 1–31, 2005

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

Hunters may purchase only one muzzleloader season permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 6–11, 2004** Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season.

#### Permit Shotgun Season (34 days):

Antlerless deer only: Dec. 6–11, 2004

Antlered or Antlerless: Dec. 15–17, 2004; and Jan. 3–31, 2005

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one shotgun season permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Winter Bow (26 days): Jan. 1–31, 2005** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.



## Regulation Set #8

- Legal hunting hours: 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.
- No deer hunting on Sundays or Christmas Day in these zones.
- Hunters must have a valid ANTLERED BUCK STUB from their 2004 license whenever harvesting an antlered deer.

### EARN-A-BUCK ZONE(S): 7, 8, 9\*, 10, 11, 12, 13\*, 14, 15, 36, 41, 49, 50, 51

\* Note: Any antlered deer taken in Zones 9 or 13 must have at least three antler points on one side of the rack.

#### Fall Bow (42 days): Sept. 11 to Oct. 29, 2004 Earn-A-Buck:

**Must take an ANTLERLESS deer first from any Earn-A-Buck Zone** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow (50 days): Oct. 30 to Nov. 20 and Nov. 25 to Dec. 24, 27–31, 2004 Earn-A-Buck: Must take an ANTLERLESS deer first from any Earn-A-Buck Zone through Dec. 11, 2004.**

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

Hunters may purchase only one bow season permit per zone.

**Youth Day (1 day): Nov. 20, 2004** Season bag limit is one deer of either sex for qualified youth hunters only. Any deer harvested by a qualified youth hunter accompanied by a similarly licensed, non-shooting adult mentor is NOT included as part of the bag limit for the Six-day Firearm season.

#### Permit Muzzleloader (62 days):

Antlerless deer only: Nov. 22–24, 26 and Dec. 6–11, 2004

Antlered or Antlerless: Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and Jan. 1–Feb. 12, 2005

**Earn-A-Buck: Must take an ANTLERLESS deer first from any Earn-A-Buck Zone during Nov. 29 and 30, 2004** (unless Earn-A-Buck requirement already satisfied).

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer. Hunters may purchase only one muzzleloader season permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Six-day Firearm (6 days): Dec. 6–11, 2004** Season bag limit is two antlered deer. However, if hunter harvests two antlered deer, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest an antlered deer during the Permit Shotgun Season.

#### Permit Shotgun Season (49 days):

Antlerless deer only: Nov. 22–24, 26 and Dec. 6–11, 2004

Antlered or Antlerless: Dec. 15–17, 2004; and Jan. 3–Feb. 12, 2005

Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season). Hunters may purchase only one shotgun season permit per zone. Two deer may be taken at one time.

**Winter Bow (43 days): Jan. 1–Feb. 19, 2005** Season bag limit is unlimited antlerless and ONE antlered deer.

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Hunting within 450 ft. of a school playground or building	Up to \$300	\$1,500; Permanent Loss of License
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Careless use of weapon (shooting into safety zone, handling weapon in unsafe manner)	Up to \$500 Loss of License	Up to \$500 Loss of License
Trespass	Up to \$200	Up to \$500 Loss of License

# Special Area Deer Hunting Season Information

Special areas include Federal Military Installments, certain state and county parks and national wildlife refuges where hunter access is controlled. All state game laws and regulations apply to Special Areas.

**Only ONE antlered deer may be taken per season, statewide, regardless of the number of permits possessed.**

**Due to homeland security measures and military actions, the Division of Fish and Wildlife cannot guarantee all military installations will be available and open for hunting throughout the duration of each deer season. Hunters are reminded that the Division has a "no refund/no exchange" policy with regard to the purchase of deer permits.**

## Special Areas – County and State Parks

### Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61):

**To hunt the Atlantic County Park System, hunters must apply for a Zone 61 permit through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed permit application.**

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30, 2004 to Jan. 31, 2005 (79 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and, Jan. 1–7, 2005 (21 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—Dec. 6–11, 2004—**bag limit:** two antlered deer.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 6–11 and 15–17, 2004 (9 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 80 permits will be available.

Deer hunting is prohibited at all other times. The Atlantic County Park Office is located at 6303 Old Harding Highway, Mays Landing, NJ 08330. All applicants must call (609) 625-8219 prior to the lottery, for specific rules, restrictions and orientation dates. Hunter Orientation attendance is required for Zone 61. The use of bait is prohibited in Zone 61.

### High Point State Park (Zone 67):

**To hunt the High Point State Park, hunters must apply for a Zone 67 permit through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed permit application.**

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Nov. 8–11 and 15–18, 2004 (8 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. The hunter's first deer must be antlerless. Successful hunters may then harvest an antlered deer. Any antlered deer taken in Zone 67 must have at least one antler with three antler points. A total of 350 permits will be available.

Deer hunting is prohibited at all other times. Hunters are not permitted in the park before 6 a.m. or after 6 p.m. The Division of Parks and Forestry charges a non-refundable \$10 administration fee. Hunters will receive a receipt when the fee is collected and this receipt must be carried while deer hunting. The High Point State Park Office is located at 1480 Route 23 South in Sussex. Please call (973) 875-4800 for further information on park

regulations and hunter orientation dates before applying for a Zone 67 permit.

### Hunterdon County Park System:

Parks within the Hunterdon County Park System open to deer hunting require a park access permit. Applications are available at the Hunterdon County Park Office on Route 31 in Flemington. Please call (908) 782-1158 for further information before hunting.

### Mercer County Parks:

Sportsmen wishing to hunt deer **Baldpate Mountain** in Hopewell Township (Deer Management Zone 41) should contact the Mercer County Park Commission at (609) 448-7107.

**Howell Living History Farm** in Hopewell Township (Deer Management Zone 41) will be open for limited permit muzzleloader and winter bow hunting. Howell Living History Farm charges a non-refundable \$5 processing fee. Deer hunting in Howell Living History Farm is prohibited at all other times. Please call (609) 737-3299 for further information, season dates, maps and access permits before purchasing a Zone 41 permit.

### Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64):

**To hunt the Monmouth Battlefield State Park, hunters must apply for a Zone 64 permit through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed permit application.**

**Hunter Orientation** will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2005, 6:30 p.m. at the Monmouth County Library Headquarters.

**Permit Shotgun Season** – Jan. 12, 14, 19 and 21, 2005 (4 days) – **bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 100 permits will be available.

Deer hunting is prohibited at all other times. Hunters must comply with all state park regulations that include a mandatory hunter orientation session for all hunters. Please call (732) 462-9616 for further information on additional park regulations before applying for a Zone 64 permit. For further information on Fish and Wildlife regulations, please call (609) 259-6965.

### Monmouth County Park System:

Portions of specified parks within the Monmouth County Park System will be open to deer hunting. A park system permit is required. Please call (732) 842-4000 or visit [www.monmouthcountyparks.com](http://www.monmouthcountyparks.com) for maps and further information.

### Morris County Park System:

Parks within the Morris County Park System will be open for limited permit shotgun hunting. The park system is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Permits will be available from Aug. 23–27. Please call (973) 326-7632 for further information and season dates.

### Rancocas State Park:

Designated areas of the park will be open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons (Deer Management Zone 48 regulations apply). The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Please call (609) 726-1191 or write to Rancocas State Park, c/o Brendan Byrne State Forest, P.O. Box 215, New Lisbon, NJ 08064 for further information and a detailed map before hunting in Rancocas State Park.

### Round Valley Recreation Area:

Designated portions of the recreation area will be open to deer hunting during all or portions of the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Permit Shotgun seasons (Deer Management Zone 12 regulations apply). The recreation area is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Please call (908) 236-6355 for further information and registration requirements.

### Six-Mile Run Reservoir State Park:

Designated areas of the park will be open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow, Permit Bow and Winter Bow seasons (Deer Management Zone 14 regulations apply). The park is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Please call the Delaware-Raritan Canal State Park (732) 873-3050 for further information and a detailed map before hunting in Six-Mile Run Reservoir State Park.

### Spruce Run Recreation Area:

Designated portions of the area will be open to deer hunting during the Fall Bow and Permit Bow seasons (Deer Management Zone 7 regulations apply). The area is closed to deer hunting at all other times. Please call (908) 638-8572 for further information and registration requirements.

## Special Areas – Federal Installations (other than National Wildlife Refuges)

### Earle Naval Weapons Station Depot (Zone 39 and Zone 40):

Not open to the general public. The following information is provided for **civilian employees** or **military personnel** assigned to the base. **Permits for Zones 39 and 40 will be sold only at Earle**

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**NWS.** Bring your completed application(s) to the Station's annual hunter orientation. Please contact Ray Green, Station Game Warden, (732) 866-2708 for further information. Deer hunting is allowed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Zones 39 and 40.

*In Zone 40, the hunter's first deer must be antlerless and any antlered deer taken in Zone 40 during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.*

**Fall Bow Season (Zone 39)**—Oct. 2–29, 2004 (24 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Fall Bow Season (Zone 40)**—Sept. 11–Oct. 29, 2004 (42 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow Season (Zone 39)**—Oct. 30–Dec. 31, 2004 (54 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 110 permits will be available.

**Permit Bow Season (Zone 40)**—Oct. 30–Dec. 31, 2004 (54 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 80 permits will be available.

**Six-day Firearm Season (Zone 39)**—Dec. 6–11, 2004—**bag limit:** two antlered deer.

**Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Six-day Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the Permit Shotgun Season, therefore the bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season then becomes antlerless deer only.**

**Six-day Firearm Season (Zone 40)—Closed.**

**Permit Muzzleloader (Zone 39)**—Nov. 29 & 30, Dec. 1–4, 13–18, 20–25, 27–31, 2004 and Jan. 1–31, 2005 (49 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 100 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season (Zone 40)**—Nov. 6, 13, 20 and 22–27, 2004 (9 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 39)**—Dec. 4, 6–11, 18 and 25, 2004 and Jan. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2005 (14 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 160 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season (Zone 40)**—Nov. 22–27, 2004 (6 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 50 permits will be available.

**Winter Bow Season (Zone 39)**—Jan. 1–31, 2005 (26 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Winter Bow Season (Zone 40)**—Jan. 1–31, 2005 (26 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

## Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (Zone 66):

The Technical Center is open to deer hunting through a cooperative agreement between the FAATC, NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, New Jersey State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs (NJSFSC) and the United Bowhunters of New Jersey (UBNJ). Membership in either the NJSFSC or UBNJ is required in order to obtain access to the Technical Center for deer hunting. **Permits for Zone 66 will be sold at the Division's Nacote Creek Research Station. Instructions on how to obtain permits will be given at the mandatory orientation seminars.** Please call (609) 485-6938 for further information.

**The use of bait is prohibited in Zone 66.**

**Fall Bow Season**—Sept. 11 to Oct. 29, 2004 (24 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30 to Dec. 31, 2004 (59 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 80 permits will be available.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Nov. 27 to Dec. 4, 10, 11, 2004 and Jan. 8, 15, 2005. (11 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 15 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Nov. 27 to Dec. 4, 10, 11, 2004 and Jan. 8, 15, 2005. (11 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 65 permits will be available.

**Winter Bow Season**—Jan. 1–29, 2005 (25 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

## Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zone 37 and Zone 52):

**To hunt Fort Dix Military Reservation, hunters must apply for a Zone 37 and/or a Zone 52 permit(s) through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed application.** A total of five percent of the permit quota will be held in reserve at Fort Dix for special military related circumstances. Hunters must comply with all Fort Dix regulations. Persons hunting on the Base must pay an annual fee of \$18.50 and must sign in and out at Range 14 on a daily basis when hunting. Military training will take precedence over hunting. Please call (609) 562-4676 for further information and fee schedules. Deer hunting is not allowed on Christmas Day or New Year's Day in Zones 37 or 52.

*Any antlered deer taken in Zone 37 during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.*

**Fall Bow Season**—Oct. 2–29, 2004 (24 days)—**bag limit:** two deer—only ONE may be antlered. Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked as valid for the taking of a third or more deer are not valid in Zones 37 or 52.

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30–Nov. 6, 13–27, 2004 (20 days)—**bag limit:** two deer per permit—only ONE may be antlered. A total of 190 permits will be available for Zone 37 and 65 permits will be available for Zone 52.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—Dec. 6–11, 2004—**bag limit:** two antlered deer **Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Six-day Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the Permit Shotgun Season, therefore the bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season then becomes antlerless deer only.**

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Nov. 8–12, Dec. 13–24, 27–31, 2004 and Jan. 3–8, 2005 (27 days)—**bag limit:** two deer per permit—only ONE may be antlered. A total of 300 permits will be available for Zone 37 and 180 permits will be available for Zone 52.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 18, 2004 (1 day)—**bag limit:** one deer per permit (must be antlerless if two antlered deer were harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 75 permits will be available for Zone 37 and 25 permits will be available for Zone 52.

**Winter Bow Season**—Jan. 3–31, 2005 (25 days)—**bag limit:** two deer—only ONE may be antlered. Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked as valid for the taking of a third or more deer are not valid in Zones 37 or 52.

## Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station (Zone 53):

There will be limited public hunting for hunters who are sponsored by the current members of the Navy Lakehurst Rod and Gun Club. Military training will take precedence over hunting. **Permits for Zones 53 will only be sold at Lakehurst.** Please call (732) 323-2911 for further information or contact John Joyce, Naval Air Engineering Station, Code 872, Route 547, Lakehurst, NJ 08733-5065. Deer hunting is not allowed on Christmas Day in Zones 53.

**Fall Bow Season**—Oct. 2–29, 2004 (24 days)—**bag limit:** two deer—only ONE may be antlered. Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked as valid for the taking of a third or more deer are not valid in Zone 53.

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30–Nov. 27, 2004 (25 days)—**bag limit:** two deer—only ONE may be antlered. A total of 45 permits will be available.

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**Six-day Firearm Season**—Dec. 6–11, 2004—**bag limit:** two antlered deer **Note: If the hunter chooses to harvest two antlered bucks during the Six-day Firearm Season, he/she forfeits the opportunity to harvest a buck during the Permit Shotgun Season, therefore the bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season then becomes antlerless deer only.**

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Nov. 27, 29 & 30; Dec. 1–4, 13–24, 27–31, 2004 and Jan. 1–8, 2005 (30 days)—**bag limit:** two deer per permit—only ONE may be antlered. A total of 40 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 15–17, 2004 and Jan. 8–15, 2005 (10 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 50 permits will be available.

**Winter Bow Season**—Jan. 1–31, 2005 (26 days)—**bag limit:** two deer—only ONE may be antlered. Supplemental Deer Transportation Tags marked as valid for the taking of a third or more deer are not valid in Zone 53.

## Picatunny Arsenal (Zone 54):

Not open to the general public. The following information is provided for military and federal civilian employees or retirees only. **Permits for Zone 54 will be sold only at the Arsenal.** Please contact Jonathan Van De Venter at (973) 724-4691 for further information. Deer hunting is allowed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day in Zone 54. **Note:** Hunters are allowed **ONE** antlered deer **per season** except for the Six-day Firearm Season. \*If two antlered deer are harvested during the Six-day Firearm Season, then the bag limit for the Permit Shotgun Season is limited to antlerless deer only.

**Fall Bow Season**—Oct. 2 to Oct. 29, 2004 (24 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30 to Dec. 31, 2004 (58 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available.

**Six-day Firearm Season**—Dec. 6–11, 2004—**bag limit:** two antlered deer\*.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Nov. 29, 30, 2004; and Dec. 13–31, 2004; and Jan. 1–8, 2005 (26 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 25 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 6–11 and 25, 2004 and Jan. 8, 2005 (8 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 25 permits will be available.

**Winter Bow Season**—Jan. 1–31, 2005 (27 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer.

## Special Areas – U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Wildlife Refuge System

Special U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) regulations are in effect throughout all authorized deer hunting seasons, in addition to state game laws and regulations. The following federal regulations apply to all national wildlife refuges (NWR) in New Jersey:

1. Hunting over bait or distributing bait is prohibited on all refuges.
2. The use of a spotlight or other artificial light, including automotive headlights, for the purpose of spotting, locating or taking any wildlife is prohibited on all refuges—regardless of whether or not one is in possession of a weapon.
3. All firearm hunters (muzzleloaders and shotgun) must wear an outer garment consisting of at least **400** square inches of solid fluorescent orange while deer hunting on any refuge (double the state requirement).
4. Entry is prohibited on all refuge lands posted “Area Closed” and on refuge roadways posted with “Inholders Only” signs.
5. The use of nails, wire, screws or bolts to attach a stand to a tree or hunting from a tree into which a metal object has been driven to support a hunter is prohibited on all refuges.

Most refuges can accommodate individuals who have obtained a permit for handicapped hunters from the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife, including permits to hunt from vehicles. Interested persons should contact the appropriate refuge in advance of the deer hunting seasons.

### Cape May NWR (Zone 34):

Cape May NWR will be open for all six deer seasons. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 34 will apply. Contact the refuge office for more information at (609) 463-0994.

### Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 56, Zone 57 and Zone 58):

**To hunt the Edwin B. Forsythe NWR, hunters must apply for the appropriate Zone 56, 57 and/or 58 permit(s) through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed permit application.**

Any left over permits may be purchased at the Nacote Creek Office **only**. The purchase of a Zone 22, 42 or 51 permit does not allow hunters to hunt anywhere on the E.B. Forsythe NWR!

All Zone 56, 57 and 58 permits must be validated by refuge personnel before they are allowed to scout or hunt on the refuge. Validation of permits must be done at either the Brigantine or Barnegat Division Office, during business hours (8 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon.–Fri.), or at the orientation sessions, or during the first day of the Nacote

Creek Office over-the-counter sales. Permit validation must be done in person by the person whose name appears on the permit. Those wishing to have their permits validated at the Barnegat Division, please call (609) 698-1387 prior to coming to the station headquarters.

Hunters who will be hunting the E.B. Forsythe NWR for the first time are required to attend a hunter orientation session prior to hunting or scouting. Orientation sessions will be held at the Brigantine Division on Sunday, Aug. 29, Sunday, Oct. 3 and Sunday, Nov. 14, 2004. Orientation sessions will be held at the Barnegat Division on Sunday, Oct. 17 and Sunday Nov. 21, 2004. All sessions begin at 10 a.m. For additional and updated hunting information, please call the Barnegat Division at (609) 698-1387 or the Brigantine Division at (609) 652-1665 or by Internet at <http://forsythe.fws.gov/>.

**Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 56) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:**

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 13–17, 2004 (5 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season) Two deer may be taken at one time. Successful hunters are required to register their deer at the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife Nacote Creek Office. A total of 25 permits will be available and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. *No Exceptions.*

**Edwin B. Forsythe NWR (Zone 57 and Zone 58) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:**

**Fall Bow Season (Zone 57 only)**—Sept. 11 to Oct. 29, 2004 (42 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. An antlerless deer must be taken first from Sept. 11 to Oct. 1, 2004. There will be a limit of 25 hunters allowed to hunt Zone 57. A special permit will be issued by the E.B. Forsythe NWR Office and will be distributed through a mail-in lottery. Permit applications will be available by request mail and on the E.B. Forsythe NWR Web site. The cost for this refuge permit is \$10 payable in check or money order. Postmarked applications will be accepted until Sept. 3, 2004.

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30 to Nov. 27, 2004 (25 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available for Zone 57 and 50 permits will be available for Zone 58.

**Permit Muzzleloader**—Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 13, 14, 18–24, 27–31, 2004; and Jan. 1–7, 2005 (21 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 40 permits will be available for Zone 57 and 50 permits will be available for Zone 58.

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**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 6–11, 2004; and, Jan. 8–31, 2005 (27 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). A total of 40 permits will be available for Zone 57 and 75 permits will be available for Zone 58.

Zones 56, 57 and 58 are closed to deer hunting at all other times.

### Great Swamp NWR (Zone 38):

**To hunt the Great Swamp NWR, hunters must apply for a Zone 38 permit through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed permit application.**

The refuge will only be open for permit shotgun and permit muzzleloader hunting and closed to deer hunting at all other times. Hunters may only apply for a permit shotgun or a permit muzzleloader permit, not both. **If there are any leftover shotgun or muzzleloader permits for Zone 38, they will only be sold at the Refuge Headquarters on Sunday, Oct. 24, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., and Monday, Oct. 25, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** In addition to the state permit, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will charge a \$22 fee (\$11 for holders of Golden Age or Golden

Access passports) for the issuance of a federal hunting permit (free of charge to hunters under the age of 17). The refuge will supply additional information on hunt procedures and regulations to those hunters who are issued Zone 38 permits. For further information, please contact refuge wildlife biologist Craig Bitler at (973) 425-1222, extension 15.

**Great Swamp NWR (Zone 38) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:**

**Permit Shotgun and Permit Muzzleloader Season (concurrent)**—Nov. 13, 17–20, 2004. Nov. 13 (Saturday) will be only for youths, ages 10-15, who possess a Zone 38 permit and who are accompanied by a non-hunting adult, at least 21 years of age, who also possesses a Zone 38 permit. **Bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. The refuge emphasizes the harvest of adult does and manages for older age-class bucks. Hunters must check in an adult doe before they can take an antlered buck. The daily quota of hunters allowed afield is 275. A total of 390 shotgun and 10 muzzleloader permits will be available.

Zone 38 is closed to deer hunting at all other times.

### Supawna Meadows NWR (Zone 59):

**To hunt the Supawna Meadows NWR, hunters must apply for a Zone 59 permit through the mail-in lottery with the enclosed permit application.**

In addition to the state permit, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will charge a \$20 fee for the issuance of a federal hunting permit (no charge to holders of a youth license under the age of 17). Successful applicants must attend an orientation session at the refuge. Please call (856) 935-1487 for further information regarding permit availability, fees and refuge regulations.

*Any antlered deer taken in Zone 59 during all open seasons must have at least one antler with three antler points.*

**Supawna Meadows NWR (Zone 59) will be open for deer hunting to properly licensed hunters as follows:**

**Permit Bow Season**—Oct. 30 to Nov. 27, 2004 (25 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. A total of 35 permits will be available. Note: Permit Bow will be closed on Nov. 20, 2004 for the Youth Day hunt.

**Youth Day**—Nov. 20, 2004—**bag limit:** one deer of either sex. Permits will be available from the refuge office for 25 youth sportsmen (under the age of 17). If more than 25 applications are received, hunters will be chosen by random selection.

**Permit Muzzleloader Season**—Dec. 13–24, 2004 (11 days)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer. Two deer may be taken at one time. A total of 25 permits will be available.

**Permit Shotgun Season**—Dec. 9–11, 2004 (first segment); Dec. 30, 31, 2004 and Jan. 1, 2005 (second segment); Jan. 20–22, 2005 (third segment) (three, 3-day segments)—**bag limit:** unlimited antlerless deer and ONE antlered deer (ONLY if two antlered deer were not taken during the Six-day Firearm Season). Two deer may be taken at one time. Permits are valid for one, three-day segment only. A total of 75 shotgun permits will be available.

Zone 59 is closed to deer hunting at all other times.

### Wallkill River NWR:

Designated areas of the refuge will be open to all six deer seasons. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 2 will apply. Annual hunting map, additional regulations and a signed access permit from the refuge must be obtained prior to scouting or hunting. The access permit is \$10 (free for youths) and must be signed and carried at all times when hunting on refuge property. Please visit our web site at <http://wallkillriver.fws.gov/hunting.htm>, call (973) 702-7266 or write Wallkill River National Wildlife Refuge, 1547 County Route 565, Sussex, NJ 07461 for further information.

## Special Areas— Other Public Lands

### Bayside PSE&G Tract:

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) currently manages this 4,500-acre PSE&G property located in Greenwich Township, Cumberland County. A TNC access permit is required. Please call (609) 861-0600 for permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 29 apply.

### Lizard Tail Swamp:

This 400-acre property, jointly owned by the Division and The Nature Conservancy (TNC), is located in Middle Township, Cape May County. A TNC access permit is required. Please call (609) 861-0600 for permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 34 apply.

### Newark Watershed:

The Newark Watershed, located in Morris, Passaic and Sussex counties, is open to deer hunting from September to December. A Watershed access permit is required. Call (973) 697-2850 for access permit applications, maps and site-specific regulations. Season dates and bag limits for Deer Management Zone 3 and Zone 6 (including Quality Deer Management restrictions) apply. See pages 28 and 30.



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**Zone No. 1:** That portion of Sussex County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 521 (River Rd.) and Mashipacong Rd.; then west along the northern boundary of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area to the east bank of the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the New York State line; then east along the New York State line to Rt. 519; then south along Rt. 519 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Branchville; then northwest along Rt. 206 to the intersection with Ridge Rd.; then north on Ridge Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 646; then east on Rt. 646 to the intersection with Rt. 645 in Hainesville; then north on Rt. 645 to the intersection with Rts. 206 and 521; then north on Rts. 206 and 521 to Montague; then north on Rt. 521 (River Rd.) to the intersection with Mashipacong Rd., the point of beginning. The island of Mashipacong lying in the Delaware River is included in this zone. High Point State Park (Zone 67) is excluded from Zone 1.

**Zone No. 2:** That portion of Sussex County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 94 and the New York State line; then south along Rt. 94 to its intersection with Rt. 23 at Hamburg, then southeast along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 517 at Franklin; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Andover; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 519 at Newton; then north along Rt. 519 to the New York State line; then east along the New York State line to Rt. 94 to the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 3:** That portion of Sussex, Morris, Passaic, and Bergen counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 94 and the New York State line; then east along the New York State line to its intersection with Rt. 202 near Suffern; then south along Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 23; then west along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 94 at Hamburg; then north along Rt. 94 to the point of beginning on the New York State line.

**Zone No. 4:** That portion of Sussex and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 521 (River Rd.) and New Mashipacong Rd.; then running along Rt. 521 to the intersection with Rt. 206 in Montague; then south on Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 645 (Layton-Hainesville Road); then south on Rt. 645 to the intersection with Rt. 646 in Hainesville (Jagger Road); then west on Rt. 646 to the intersection with Ridge Rd.; then south on Ridge Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 560 (Dingman's Bridge Road); then southeast along Rt. 560 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then south on Rt. 206 to the intersection with the base of the Kittatinny Ridge at Culvers Inlet; then southwest along the east base of the Kittatinny Ridge to the Delaware River at the Delaware Water Gap north and west of Quarry

Road; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the northern park boundary of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area; then east along the northern park boundary of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area to Rt. 521 (River Rd.), the point of beginning. Namanock, Minisink, Depew, Tocks, Poxono and Labar Islands in the Delaware River are included in this zone.

**Zone No. 5:** That portion of Warren and Sussex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the base of the Kittatinny Ridge and Rt. 206 at Culvers Inlet; then southeast along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 519 at Branchville; then south along Rt. 519 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Newton; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 517 at Andover; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 46 at Hackettstown; then west along Rt. 46 to its intersection with the Delaware River at Manunkachunk; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with the Zone 4 boundary at the Delaware Water Gap north and west of Quarry Road; then northeast along the base of the Kittatinny Ridge to its intersection with Rt. 206, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 6:** That portion of Morris, Sussex, Passaic, Warren and Essex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 80 and Rt. 517 at Allamuchy; then northeast along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 23 at Franklin; then southeast along Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then west along Rt. 80 to the point of beginning at Allamuchy. Picatinny Arsenal (Zone 54) is excluded from Zone 6.

**Zone No. 7:** That portion of Hunterdon and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 78 at Clinton; then north along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 46 at Buttzville; then west on Rt. 46 to the Delaware River at Manunkachunk; then south along the east bank of the Delaware to its intersection with Rt. 78 at Phillipsburg; then east along Rt. 78 to the point of beginning at Clinton.

**Zone No. 8:** That portion of Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 22 and 206 near Somerville; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 80 near Netcong; then west along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 517 at Allamuchy; then south along Rt. 517 to its intersection with Rt. 46 at Hackettstown; then west along Rt. 46 to its intersection with Rt. 31 at Buttzville; then southeast along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 22 at Clinton; then east along Rt. 22 to the point of beginning at Somerville.

**Zone No. 9:** Those portions of Morris and Somerset counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 206 and Rt.

80 near Netcong; then east along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 46; then east on Rt. 46 to the intersection with Rt. 10 in Ledgewood; then east on Rt. 10 to the intersection with Morris Tpk.; then east and south on Morris Tpk. to Calais Rd.; then west on Calais Rd. to Combs Hollow Rd.; then south on Combs Hollow Rd. to Calais Rd.; then south on Calais Rd. to Mountain Ave. in Mendham; then south and east on Mountain Ave. to Hilltop Rd. (Rt. 525); then south on Rt. 525 to the intersection with Rt. 78; then west on Rt. 78 to the intersection with Rt. 206 near Pluckemin; then north on Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 80 in Netcong, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 10:** That portion of Hunterdon and Warren counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 12 in Flemington; then north along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 78 at Clinton; then west along Rt. 78 to the Delaware River at Phillipsburg; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to Rt. 12 at Frenchtown; then east along Rt. 12 to the point of beginning at Flemington.

**Zone No. 11:** That portion of Hunterdon County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 12 and 31 and 202 at Flemington; then southwest along Route 202 to the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with Route 12 at Frenchtown; then east along Route 12 to the point of beginning at Flemington. Shyhawks, Treasure, Rush, Bull and Eagle Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 12:** That portion of Somerset, Hunterdon and Mercer counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 31 and 22 at Clinton; then east on Rt. 22 to its intersection with Rt. 206 at Somerville; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 546 at Lawrenceville; then west on Rt. 546 to its intersection with Rt. 31 at the Pennington traffic circle; then north along Rt. 31 to the point of beginning at Clinton. That portion of Round Valley Recreation Area designated as open to deer hunting is included in Zone 12.

**Zone No. 13:** That portion of Morris, Somerset and Union counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 22 and 206 at Somerville; then north on Rt. 206 to the intersection with Rt. 78 near Pluckemin; then east on Rt. 78 to the intersection with Rt. 525; then north on Rt. 525 to Mountain Ave. in Mendham; then north and west on Mountain Ave. to Calais Rd.; then north on Calais Rd. to Combs Hollow Rd., then north on Combs Hollow Rd. to Calais Rd.; then east on Calais Rd. to Morris Tpk.; then north and west on Morris Tpk. to Rt. 10; then west on Rt. 10 to Rt. 46 in Ledgewood; then west on Rt. 46 to the

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intersection with Rt. 80 near Netcong; then east on Rt. 80 to the intersection with Rt. 511; then south on Rt. 511 to the intersection with Rt. 124 in Morristown; then southeast along Rt. 124 to the intersection with Rt. 82; then southwest along Rt. 82 to the intersection with Rt. 22; then southwest along Rt. 22 to the point of beginning at Somerville. The Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 38) is excluded from Zone 13.

**Zone No. 14:** That portion of Mercer, Middlesex, Somerset and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Routes 22 and 206 at Somerville, then east along Route 22 to its intersection with Interstate 287; then south on Interstate 287 to its intersection with Route 18; then south on Route 18 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 545; then northwest on Route 545 which becomes Farnsworth Avenue; then continuing northwest on Farnsworth Ave. to its intersection with W. Burlington Street; then southwest on W. Burlington St. to its intersection with Interstate 295; then north on Interstate 295 to its intersection with the Delaware River at Bordentown; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River to Route 546 at Washington's Crossing; then east on Route 546 to its intersection with Route 206 at Lawrenceville; then north along Route 206 to the point beginning at Somerville. Rotary and Blauguard Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 15:** That portion of Monmouth, Mercer and Middlesex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Rt. 522 near Jamesburg; then south on the Turnpike to its intersection with Interstate 195, then east on Rt. I-195 to its intersection with Rt. 537 near Holmeson; then northeast on Rt. 537 to its intersection with Rt. 522 in Freehold; then northwest on Rt. 522 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike, the point of beginning. Monmouth Battlefield State Park is excluded from this zone.

**Zone No. 16:** That portion of Monmouth and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 537 and Rt. 571 near Holmeson; then southeast on Rt. 571 to the intersection with Rt. 547; then northeast on Rt. 547 through Farmingdale to the intersection with Tinton Falls Rd.; then north on Tinton Falls Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 33 and Rt. 34; then north on Rt. 34 to the intersection with the fenced boundary of the Earle Naval Weapons Depot property; then westward along the fenced border of the Earle Depot to the intersection with Rt. 33; then west along Rt. 33 to the intersection with Rt. 537 in Freehold; then southwest on Rt. 537 to the intersection with Rt. 571 near Holmeson, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 17:** That portion of Mercer, Monmouth, Burlington and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Interstate 195; then east along Interstate 195 to the intersection with Rt. 537 near Holmeson; then southwest along Rt. 537 to the intersection with Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640) then southeast along Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640); to the intersection with Colliers Mills Road; then west along Colliers Mills Road to its intersection with Woodruff Rd.; then southwest along Woodruff Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 539; then southeast along Rt. 539 to the border of Fort Dix Military Reservation; then westward along the Fort Dix Military Reservation boundary to Rt. 545 near Wrightstown; then northwest along Rt. 545 to the intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then northeast along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection Interstate 195 the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 18:** That portion of Ocean County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 530 and the Garden State Parkway at South Toms River; then west along Rt. 530 to the intersection with Rt. 70; then west along Rt. 70 to the border of Fort Dix Military Reservation; then northward along the Fort Dix Military Reservation boundary to the northernmost intersection of the Fort Dix Military Reservation border and Rt. 539; then northwest along Rt. 539 to the intersection with Woodruff Rd.; then northeast along Woodruff Rd. to the intersection with Colliers Mills Road; then east along Colliers Mills Road to the intersection with Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640); then northwest along Hawkin Road (Prosperstown-Colliers Mills Road: Rt. 640) to the intersection with Rt. 537 near Prosperstown; then northeast along Rt. 537 to the intersection with Rt. 571 near Holmeson; then southeast along Rt. 571 to the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Garden State Parkway to the point of beginning near South Toms River.

**Zone No. 19:** That portion of Burlington and Camden counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 530 and Rt. 646 (New Lisbon-Four Mile Rd); then southeast on Rt. 646 to its intersection with Turkey Buzzard Bridge Road; then west on Turkey Buzzard Bridge Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 644 (Buddtown-Ong's Hat Road); then southeast on Rt. 644 to its intersection with Rt. 70 at Four Mile Circle; then west on Rt. 70 to its intersection with Burr's Mill Road; then southwest on Burr's Mill Rd. to its intersection with Avenue Road; then south on Avenue Rd. to its intersection with Sooy Place Road; then south on Sooy Place Rd. to its intersection with Irick's Causeway; then southwest on Irick's Causeway to its intersection with Rt. 532 (Chatsworth Road); then south and southeast on Rt. 532 to its intersection with South Park Rd.; then south

on South Park Rd. to its intersection with White Horse-Speedwell Rd.; then south on White Horse-Speedwell Rd. to its intersection with Eagle Rd.; then southwest on Eagle Rd. to its intersection with the railroad tracks; then west following the railroad tracks to their intersection with Carranza Rd.; then northwest on Carranza Rd. to its intersection with Tuckerton Rd.; then north and northwest on Tuckerton Rd. to its intersection with Forked Neck Rd. (Dingletown Rd.); then west along Forked Neck Road to its intersection with Rt. 206; then south along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Rt. 541, Stokes Road; then northwest along Rt. 541 to its intersection with Willow Grove Road; then southwest on Willow Grove Road to its intersection with Atsion Road; then northwest on Atsion Road to its intersection with Rt. 534, Jackson Road; then west along Rt. 534 to its intersection with Rt. 73; then north along Rt. 73 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then northeast along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 38; then east along Rt. 38 to its intersection with Rt. 530; then east along Rt. 530 to its intersection with Rt. 616 (Vincentown-Pemberton Road); then northeast on Rt. 616, Hanover Street, into the town of Pemberton to its intersection with Elizabeth Street, then east on Elizabeth Street, which becomes Pemberton-Brown's Mills Road (Rt. 687) to its intersection with Rt. 530 (Pemberton-By-Pass Road); then east on Rt. 530 to its intersection with Rt. 646 (New Lisbon-Four Mile Road), the point of beginning. Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zone 37) is excluded from Zone 19.

**Zone No. 20:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 21:** That portion of Ocean and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 530 and the Garden State Parkway near South Toms River; then south along the Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 72; then northwest along Rt. 72 to its intersection with Rt. 644 (Buddtown-Ong's Hat Road) at Four Mile Circle; then northwest on Rt. 644 to its intersection with Turkey Buzzard Bridge Road; then northeast on Turkey Buzzard Bridge Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 646 (New Lisbon-Four Mile Road); then northwest on Rt. 646 to its intersection with Rt. 530 (Pemberton-Brown's Mills Road); then east along the southern border of Fort Dix Military Reservation to its intersection with Rt. 70; then east on Rt. 70 to its intersection with Rt. 539 and Rt. 530 near Whiting; then east along Rt. 530 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway near South Toms River, the point of beginning. Fort Dix Military Reservation (Zones 37 and 52) are excluded from Zone 21.

**Zone No. 22:** That portion of Ocean and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the Garden State Parkway and Rt. 72 near Manahawkin; then south along the Garden State Parkway to

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its intersection with Stage Road; then west along Stage Road to its intersection with Leektown Road; then west along Leektown Road (which turns into Rt., 653 to its intersection with the Wading River; then south along the east bank of the Wading River to its intersection with the Mullica River and the Atlantic-Burlington County line; then east along the Atlantic-Burlington County line to the Atlantic Ocean, then east to the Atlantic Ocean; then north along the Atlantic Ocean to Rt. 72 at Ship Bottom; then west along Rt. 72 to the Garden State Parkway, the point of beginning. The Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 58) is excluded from Zone 22.

**Zone No. 23:** That portion of Burlington, Atlantic and Camden counties lying with a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 563 and the Mullica River at the Atlantic-Burlington County line near Green Bank; then north and west along the north bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with Rt. 542 at Pleasant Mills; then west along Rt. 542 to its intersection with Nescochague Creek; then northwest along Nescochague Creek to Great Swamp Branch; then westward along Great Swamp Branch to its intersection with Rt. 206 (just south of the intersection of Rt. 206 and Middle Road); then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Albertson Brook (about 4 miles north of Hammonton); then westward along Albertson Brook until it becomes Blue Anchor Brook; then westward along Blue Anchor Brook to its intersection with Rt. 30, near Cedar Ave., south of Ancora; then northwest along Rt. 30 to its intersection with Rt. 73; then north on Rt. 73 to its intersection with Rt. 534, Jackson Road; then east along Rt. 534 to its intersection with Atsion Road; then southeast on Atsion Road to its intersection with Willow Grove Road; then northeast on Willow Grove Road to its intersection with Rt. 541, Stokes Road; then southeast along Rt. 541 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with Forked Neck Road; then east along Forked Neck Road (Dingletown Rd.) to its intersection with Tuckerton Rd.; then southeast and south on Tuckerton Rd. to its intersection with Carranza Rd., then southeast on Carranza Rd. to its intersection with the railroad tracks; then east following the railroad tracks to their intersection with Eagle Rd.; then northeast on Eagle Rd. to its intersection with White Horse-Speedwell Rd.; then north on White Horse-Speedwell Rd. to their intersection with South Park Rd.; then north on South Park Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 532 (Chatsworth Rd.); then northwest on Rt., 532 to its intersection with Irick's Causeway; then northeast on Irick's Causeway to its intersection with Sooy Place Road (Vincentown-South Park Road); then northwest on Sooy Place Rd. to its intersection with Avenue Road; then northeast on Avenue Rd. to its intersection with Burr's Mill Road; then

northeast on Burr's Mill Rd. to its intersection with Rt. 70; then east on Rt. 70 to its intersection with Rt. 72 at Four Mile Circle; then southeast on Rt. 72 to its intersection with Rt. 563; then southwest along Rt. 563 to its intersection with the Mullica River at the Atlantic-Burlington County line, the point of beginning near Green Bank.

**Zone No. 24:** That portion of Burlington and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 563 and Rt. 72; then southeast along Rt. 72 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Parkway to its intersection with Stage Road; then west along Stage Road to its intersection with Leektown Road; then west along Leektown Road (which turns into Rt. 653) to its intersection with the Wading River; then south along the east bank of the Wading River to its intersection with the Mullica River and the Atlantic-Burlington County line; then west along the north bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with Rt. 563 near Green Bank; then north along Rt. 563 to its intersection with Rt. 72, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 25:** That portion of Salem, Gloucester, Atlantic and Camden counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 54 and Rt. 40 near Buena; then west on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 553; then north on Rt. 553 to its intersection with Rt. 610 (Aura Road); then southeast on Rt. 610 to its intersection with Rt. 655 (Fries Mill Road then north on Rt. 655 to its intersection with Rt. 322; then west on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Glassboro; then north on Rt. 47 to its intersection with County Road 635 (Hurville-Grenloch Road); then eastward on County Road 635 to its intersection with County Road 705 (County House Road); then southeast along Rt. 705 to its intersection with County Road 688 (Turnerville-Hickstown Road); then eastward along County Road 688 to its intersection with County Road 689 (Berlin-Crosskeys Road); then northeast along County Road 689 to its intersection with Rt. 73 at Berlin; then south on Rt. 73 to its intersection with Rt. 30; then southeast along Rt. 30 to its intersection with Blue Anchor Brook, just past Cedar Avenue, south of Ancora; then eastward along Blue Anchor Brook until it becomes Albertson Brook at Fleming Pike; then eastward along Albertson Brook to its intersection with Rt. 206 (about four miles north of Hammonton); then south on Rt. 206 to its intersection with Great Swamp Branch (just past the intersection of Rt. 206 and Middle Road); then eastward along Great Swamp Branch to its intersection with Nescochague Creek; then eastward along Nescochague Creek to Nescochague Lake, at Pleasant Mills; then westward along the north and western shore of Nescochague Lake to its intersection with Hammonton Creek; then westward along Hammonton Creek to its intersection with Rt. 30 (White Horse Pike), near

Hammonton; then southeast on Rt. 30 to its intersection with Weymouth Road (Rts. 640-559); then southward on Weymouth Rd. to its intersection with the Atlantic City Expressway; then west along the Atlantic City Expressway to its intersection with Eighth Street; then south along Eighth Street to its intersection with Rt. 322; then westward on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 54; then southward on Rt. 54 to its intersection with Rt. 40 near Buena, the point of beginning. Zone 65 is excluded from Zone 25.

**Zone No. 26:** That portion of Atlantic County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 40 and 54 near Buena; then southeast on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 50; then north on Rt. 50 to its intersection with Rt. 322; then east on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Cologne Avenue; then north on Cologne Avenue to its intersection with Duerer Street; then east on Duerer Street to its intersection with Rt. 575; then northeast on Rt. 575 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then north along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with the Mullica River and the Atlantic-Burlington County line; then northwest along the south bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with Rt. 542 at Pleasant Mills; then west on Rt. 542 to its intersection with Nescochague Creek at Pleasant Mills; then south along the west bank of Nescochague Creek to Nescochague Lake; then southwest along the western bank of Nescochague Lake to its intersection with Hammonton Creek; then westward along Hammonton Creek to its intersection with Rt. 30 (White Horse Pike), near Hammonton; then south on Rt. 30 to its intersection with Weymouth Road (Rts. 640-559); then south on Weymouth Road to its intersection with the Atlantic City Expressway; then northwest along the Atlantic City Expressway to its intersection with Eighth Street; then southwest along Eighth Street to its intersection with Rt. 322 (Black Horse Pike); then northwest along Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 54; then southwest along Rt. 54 to its intersection with Rt. 40 at Buena, the point of beginning. The Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61) is excluded from Zone 26.

**Zone No. 27:** That portion of Cumberland and Salem counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 77 and 40 at Pole Tavern; then northwest on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 48; then west on Rt. 48 through Penns Grove to the Delaware River; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with the Salem Canal at Deepwater; then eastward along the south bank of the Salem Canal to its intersection with the Salem River; then southward along the west bank of the Salem River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Salem; then southeast on Rt. 49 to its

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## 2004–2005 Mandatory

### Hunters Helping the Hungry Need Help With Meat-processing Costs

Hunters Helping the Hungry (HHH), an organization that has enabled hunters to donate more than 205,000 pounds of venison to feed New Jersey families since 1997, now needs some help from the public to cover the costs of professional meat processing.

The program, which donated more than 46,000 pounds of venison to food banks and charitable organizations last year alone, operates with limited funding. Butchers who participate in the Hunters Helping the Hungry program are compensated \$45 to process the donated deer. Hunters who wish to donate deer must contribute at least \$20 toward the processing fee. Once the program's funding runs out, however, hunters who donate deer to feed the hungry also will have to cover the entire \$65 cost for meat processing.

Be sure to check on funding availability *before* harvesting a deer intended for donation by visiting [www.huntershelpingthehungry.org](http://www.huntershelpingthehungry.org) or contacting Dona Feldhann at the Food Bank of Monmouth and Ocean counties, (732) 918-2600, ext. 225, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish and Wildlife at (609) 292-6686 or one of the participating butchers.

Anyone interested in making a charitable contribution to offset the program's meat-processing costs may send a check payable either to: Hunters Helping the Hungry, P.O. Box 587, Lebanon, NJ 08833, or Food Bank of Ocean and Monmouth counties Venison Fund, 3300 Route 66, Neptune, NJ 07753.

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**Butchers will not accept donated deer during the Six-Day Firearm Buck Season, from Dec. 6–11, so they can accommodate their regular customers.**

	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	6-Day Firearm	Permit Muzzle Loader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow
<b>Atlantic County</b>						
Nacote Creek Research Station, Rt. 9 North (2.5 miles north of Smithville), (609) 748-2043			3		6	
Muskett's Tavern, 343 W. White Horse Pike, Absecon, (609) 641-9823	x	x	3	3	3,4	x
Captain Howard's, 326 Philadelphia Ave., Egg Harbor City, (609) 965-7955	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nesco Package Goods, Rt. 542, Nesco, (609) 561-8704	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Port Store, Clarks Landing Rd., Port Republic, (609) 652-1616	x	x	x	x	x	x
N.E. Hand & Son, 6016 Main St., Mays Landing, (609) 625-4941	x	x	3	3	3,4	x
Sugar Hill Sub & Deli, 153 Somers Pt. Rd. (Rt. 559), Mays Landing, (609) 625-0538	x	x	x	x	x	x
Ted's Taxidermy, 713 Rt. 40 (1/10 mile west of Rt. 54), Buena, (856) 697-8585	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Bergen County</b>						
Britt's Bait & Tackle, 41 River Rd., Oakland, (201) 651-0900	x	x	x	x	x	x
Targeteers Sporting Goods, 101 Rt. 46 West, Saddle Brook, (201) 843-7788	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Burlington County</b>						
Green Bank Inn, 1301 Rt. 542, Green Bank, (609) 965-5630	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hedger House, 4265 Route 563, Chatsworth, (609) 726-9006	x	x	x	x	x	x
Indian Mills Texaco, 1231 Rt. 206 South, Shamong, (609) 268-0303	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mike's Sporting Goods, 1414 Rt. 38, Hainesport, (609) 267-7978	x	x	x	x	x	x
New Gretna Munchies, Rt. 9 and South Maple Ave., New Gretna, (609) 296-8050	x	x	x	x	x	x
Nixon's General Store, Chatworth Rd. & New Rd. Jct, Tabernacle, (609) 268-9800	x	x	x	x	x	x
Pine Barren Stove & Sport Shop, Rt. 72, Chatsworth, (609) 726-1550	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Schneider Supply, 390 Lakehurst Rd. (Rt. 530), Browns Mills, (609) 893-2323	x	x	3	2,3	1,3	x
Sportsmen's Center, U.S. Rt. 130 North, Bordentown, (609) 298-5300	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Camden County</b>						
Atco Sports, 177 Atco Ave., Atco, (856) 767-9446	x	x	x	x	x	x
Creek Keepers, 1130 Black Horse Pike (Rt. 168), Blackwood, (856) 227-1923	x	x	x	x	x	x
Russell's PIC-II, 386 White Horse Pike, Ancora, (609) 567-9886	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sicklerville Hardware, 540 Williamstown Rd., Sicklerville, (856) 728-3800	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Cape May County</b>						
Belleplaine Supply & Gun Center, Hands Mill Rd., Belleplaine, (609) 861-2345	x	x	x	x	x	x
Fletcher's Corner, 212 South Rt. 47, Dias Creek, (609) 465-4949	x	x	x	x	x	x
Just Sports, 21 Mechanic St., Cape May Court House, (609) 465-6171	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Cumberland County</b>						
Busnardo's Sport Center, 886 North Pearl St., Bridgeton, (856) 451-6272	x	x	x	x	x	x
Neighborhood Deli, jct. Cedarville & Buckshutem Rds., Millville, (856) 825-0044	x	x	x	x	x	x
TG Towing, 120 Hesstow Road, Millville, (856) 825-6829	x	x	x	x	x	x
Big Daddy's Sports Haven, 595 Sherman Avenue, Millville, (856) 453-9009	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Essex County</b>						
The Bullet Hole, 78 Rutgers St., Belleville, (973) 759-5844	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Gloucester County</b>						
A&M Meats, Wolfert Station Rd., Mullica Hill, (856) 478-0370	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsmen's Outpost, Fries Mill Rd., Williamstown, (856) 881-3244	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Hudson County</b>						
Summit Indoor Archery Lanes, 443-445 Central Ave., Jersey City, (201) 653-1443	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Hunterdon County</b>						
Boan's Marine, 1296 Rt. 179, Mt. Airy, (609) 397-3311	x	x	x	x	x	x
Brown's Auto Body, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown, (908) 735-7800	x	x	x	x	x	x
Carousel Deli & Bakery, Rt. 179 & Wertsville Rd. Jct., Ringoes, (908) 788-5180	x	x	x	x	x	x
Jugtown Mountain Campsites, 1074 Rt. 173 East, West Portal, (908) 735-5995	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lakeside Deli, 1878 Rt. 31 North, Clinton, (908) 638-3354	x	x	x	x	x	x
Milford Napa Auto Parts, 1002 Milford-Frenchtown Rd., Milford, (908) 996-2288	x	x	x	x	x	x
Person's Processing, 1221 Rt. 31 South, Lebanon, (908) 735-4646	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsman's Rendezvous, 174 Rt. 31 North (in Sportman's Plaza), Flemington, (908) 788-5828	x	x	x	x	x	x
V. Roche & Sons, 9 High St., Whitehouse Station, (908) 534-2006	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Mercer County</b>						
Mignella's Hillbilly Hall, N. Greenwood Ave., Hopewell, (609) 466-9856	x	x	x	2	1	x
Slims Fins and Furs, 21 E. Broad St., Hopewell, (609) 466-3773	x	x	3	x	x	x
Washington Crossing State Park, Harbournon-Bear Tavern Rd., beyond the Phillips Farm location, 1/2 mile back, Washington Crossing, (609) 737-0623			5			
<b>Middlesex County</b>						
All Season's Sports & Taxidermy, 1938 Englishtown Rd. (Rt. 527), Jamesburg, (732) 521-1616	x	x	x	x	x	x
S & B Sportsman Shop, 2166 Rt. 130, North Brunswick, (732) 297-5129	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sayreville Sportsman, 52 Washington Rd., Sayreville, (732) 238-2060	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Monmouth County</b>						
Bill and Ken's Taxidermy, 70 Rt. 35 North, Keyport, (732) 888-0465	x	x	x	x	x	x
Colts Neck General Store, 38 Rt. 537 (west of Rt. 34), Colts Neck, (732) 462-5185	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsman's Shop, Rt. 35 & 3rd Ave., Neptune, (732) 775-9044	x	x	x	x	x	x

## REGULATIONS

# Deer Check Stations

Fall Bow    Permit Bow    6-Day Firearm    Permit Muzzle Loader    Permit Shotgun    Winter Bow

County	Fall Bow	Permit Bow	6-Day Firearm	Permit Muzzle Loader	Permit Shotgun	Winter Bow
<b>Morris County</b>						
Bordy's Outdoors, 177 Columbia Tpke., Florham Park, (973) 966-8006	x	x	x	x	x	x
Bob Riley Auto Repair, 22 Merry Lane, E. Hanover, (973) 386-1805	x	x	x	x	x	x
Fishing Plus, Inc., 180B Parsippany Rd. (behind Green Hills Shop. Ctr.) Parsippany, (973) 794-0066	x	x	x	x	x	x
J & J Archery & Tackle, 15 Weldon Rd., Lake Hopatcong, (973) 663-5220	x	x	x	x	x	x
New Vernon Coach & Motor Works, 960 Mt. Kemble Ave., Morristown, (973) 425-0700	x	x	x	x	x	x
R & S Sports Center, Rt. 46 & New St. Jct., Budd Lake, (973) 347-1944	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Country Sportsman, 63 Hamburg Tpke., Riverdale, (973) 839-7622	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Ocean County</b>						
Al's Grill & Cream Ridge Sporting Goods, 465 Rt. 539 (south of Rt. 537), Cream Ridge, (609) 758-0616	x	x	x	x	x	x
Brick Armory, 231 C - Chambers Bridge Rd. (north of Rt. 70 and after Ocean Ice Rink), Brick, (732) 477-0800	x	x	x	x	x	x
Eastern Bait & Tackle, 507 Rt. 9, Bayville, (732) 237-0553	x	x	x	x	x	x
Grizz's Forked River Bait & Tackle, 232 North Main St. (Rt. 9), Forked River, (609) 693-9298	x	x	x	x	x	x
Just Plain Jane's, 581 E. Veterans Hwy. (Rt. 528), Jackson, (732) 833-4875	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lucille's Country Cooking, 1496 Rt. 539, Warren Grove, (609) 698-4474	x	x	x	x	x	x
Scott's Bait & Tackle, 945 Radio Rd., Mystic Island, (609) 296-1300	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sportsman's Shanty, 420 Chandler Rd., Jackson, (732) 367-0033	x	x	x	x	x	x
Tip's Hardware, 218 Main St. (Rt. 9), West Creek, (609) 296-8477	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lakehurst Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10061, 20 Union Ave. (across from Eckerd Drug), Lakehurst, (732) 657-6609	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Passaic County</b>						
Frank's Tackle, 81 Ringwood Ave. (Rt. 511), Wanaque, (973) 835-2966	x	x	x	x	x	x
Frank's Tackle, 1846 Rt. 23 North, West Milford, (973) 838-7522	x	x	x	x	x	x
Totowa Bait & Tackle, 10 Albion Ave., Totowa, (973) 956-0825	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Salem County</b>						
Bradway's Farm Market, Rt. 49 and Jericho Road, Quinton, (856) 878-0177	x	x	x	x	x	x
Buck Stop, 989 Alvine Road, Norma, (856) 794-1281	x	x	x	x	x	x
Joe & Sandi's Country Store, Main St., Canton, (856) 935-1414	x	x	x	x	x	x
North American Archery & Muzzleloader, Pole Tavern Circle, Monroeville, (856) 358-8180	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sam's Super Service, 290 Rt. 40 (jct. Rt. 553), Elmer, (856) 358-3488	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Somerset County</b>						
Gladpack Sunoco, 1 Pottersville Rd., Gladstone, (908) 234-1355	x	x	x	x	x	x
Neshanic Station Farm, Home & Garden Center, 101 Fairview Dr., Neshanic Station, (908) 369-5131	x	x	x	x	x	x
Millstone Sport Shop, 20 North River St., East Millstone, (908) 359-5713	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Sussex County</b>						
Hainesville General Store, 283 Rt. 206 South, Hainesville, (973) 948-4280	x	x	x	x	x	x
Jumboland, Rte. 206, Branchville, (973) 948-6802	x	x	x	x	x	x
Layton Hotel, Rte. 560, Layton, (973) 948-0809	x	x	x	x	x	x
Mastodon Sport Center, 195 Highland Lakes Rd. (Rt. 638), Highland Lakes, (973) 764-0200	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sig Borstad Archery & Hunting Supply, Old Rudetown Rd., McAfee, (973) 827-6527	x	x	x	x	x	x
Simon Peter Sport Company, 660 Rt. 206 South, Newton, (973) 786-5313	x	x	x	x	x	x
Swartswood Country Store, 911 Newton-Swartswood Rd., Newton, (973) 383-5470	x	x	x	x	x	x
Vernon Crossing Tire & Auto, Vernon Crossing Rd., Vernon, (973) 764-6171	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Union County</b>						
NJ Firearms Guild, 344 St. George Ave. (Rt. 27), Rahway, (732) 382-4066	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Warren County</b>						
57 West Deer Processing, 2664 Rt. 57 West, Stewartsville, (908) 859-1725	x	x	x	x	x	x
Columbia Sport Shop, 27 Rt. 46 West, Columbia, (908) 496-4410	x	x	x	x	x	x
Country Meats of Washington, 51 S. Lincoln Ave., Washington, (908) 689-1266	x	x	x	x	x	x
County Line Sport Shop, 10 Rt. 46 West, Hackettstown, (908) 852-9897	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hi-Way Sport Shop, 253 Rt. 31 South, Washington, (908) 689-6208	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lyle Smith's Big K, 606 Rt. 519 (Hope-Johnsonburg Rd.), Johnsonburg, (908) 459-4487	x	x	x	x	x	x
Phillipsburg Bait & Tackle, 1229 S. Main St., Pohatcong, (908) 454-0695	x	x	x	x	x	x
RDJ Service Center, 275 Rt. 46, Vienna, (908) 637-4357	x	x	x	x	x	x
The Owl's Nest, 97 Rt. 519, Warren Glen, (908) 995-7903	x	x	x	x	x	x
Warren County Outdoors, 128 Rt. 94, Blairstown, (908) 362-8666	x	x	x	x	x	x
YOJ Sports, 1077C Rt. 94, Marksboro, (908) 362-5540	x	x	x	x	x	x

- 1 Deer may not be checked at this station on Monday, Nov. 22, 2004. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 2 Deer may not be checked at this station on Monday, Nov. 29, 2004. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 3 Deer may not be checked at this station on Monday, Dec. 6, 2004. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 4 Deer may not be checked at this station on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2004. Please bring deer to another station for registration.
- 5 Station will check deer for the opening day of the 6-day Firearm Season only (Dec. 6, 2004).
- 6 The Nacote Creek Office will be open from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m. from Dec. 13 through Dec. 17, 2004.
- 7 Deer may not be checked at this station on Saturday, Dec. 11, 2004. Please bring deer to another station for registration.

Note: Stations listed as closed for certain deer seasons may be open for business.

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intersection with Salem County Rt. 667 (Pecks Corner-Cohansey Rd.) at Pecks Corner; then eastward along Rt. 667 to its intersection with Rt. 540; then east along Rt. 540 to its intersection with Rt. 77; then north on Rt. 77 to its intersection with Rt. 40 at Pole Tavern, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 28:** That portion of Gloucester, Cumberland and Salem counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 77 and 40 at Pole Tavern; then east on Rt. 40 to its intersection of Rt. 47 at Malaga; then south on Rt. 47 to its intersection of Rt. 49 in Millville; then west on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Salem County Rt. 667 (Pecks Corner-Cohansey Road) at Pecks Corner; then eastward along Rt. 667 to its intersection with Rt. 540; then east on Rt. 540 to its intersection with Rt. 77; then north on Rt. 77 to Pole Tavern, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 29:** That portion of Salem and Cumberland counties lying within a continuous line beginning with the intersection of Rts. 77 and 49 at Bridgeton; then northwest on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Alloway Creek at Quinton; then southwest along the northern bank of the Alloway Creek to its intersection with the Delaware River; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to the Cohansey River; then along the northwest bank of the Cohansey River to Bridgeton, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 30:** That portion of Cumberland County lying within a continuous line beginning at Fairton on the Cohansey River; then west along the south bank of the Cohansey River to the Delaware River; then southeast along the east bank of the Delaware River to the Maurice River; then north along the west bank of the Maurice River to Haleyville-Mauricetown Road (County Road 676); then west on Haleyville-Mauricetown Road to its intersection with the Central Railroad of New Jersey (C.R.R.N.J.); then west along the C.R.R.N.J. line to its intersection with Newport-Centre Grove Road (County Road 629); then southwest on Newport-Centre Grove Road to its intersection with Rt. 553, then northwest on Rt. 553 to Fairton, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 31:** That portion of Cumberland County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersections of Routes 77 and 49 at Bridgeton; then east on Rt. 49 to the Maurice River near Millville; then south along the west bank of the Maurice River near Millville; then south along the west bank of the Maurice River to Buckshutem Creek; then west on the north bank of Buckshutem Creek to its intersection with Buckshutem Road (County Road 670); then northwest on Buckshutem Road to its intersection with Cedarville Road (County Road 610); then southwest on Cedarville Road to its intersection with Newport Centre Grove Road

(County Road 629); then southwest on Newport Centre Grove Road to its intersection with Rt. 553; then northwest along Rt. 553 to the Cohansey River at Fairton; then north on the east bank of the Cohansey River to Bridgeton, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 32:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 33:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 34:** That portion of Cumberland and Cape May counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 47 and Rt. 548 in Port Elizabeth; then east on Rt. 548 to its intersection with Rt. 49; then northwest on Rt. 49 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River at Head of River; then eastward along the south bank of the Tuckahoe River and Atlantic-Cape May County line to Great Egg Harbor Bay; then continuing eastward along the Atlantic-Cape May County line to the Atlantic Ocean at the Great Egg Harbor Inlet; then southeast along the Atlantic Ocean to Delaware Bay; then north and west along the east bank of Delaware Bay to the Maurice River; then north along the east bank of the Maurice River to Port Elizabeth and Rt. 548, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 35:** That portion of Salem and Gloucester counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the east bank of the Delaware River at Penns Grove; then southeast on Rt. 48 to its intersection with Rt. 40; then southeast on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 553; then north on Rt. 553 to the intersection with Rt. 610 (Aura Road); then southeast on Rt. 610 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Clayton; then north on Rt. 47 to its intersection with county Rt. 635 (Lambs Rd.) at Glassboro; then west on Rt. 635 to its intersection with Mantua Creek at Glassboro; then northwest along the Mantua Creek to the Delaware River; then southwest along the east bank of the Delaware River, to Penns Grove, the point of beginning. Chester and Mond's Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 36:** That portion of Bergen, Hudson, Essex, Passaic, Morris, Union, Somerset and Middlesex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 202 and the New York State line near Suffern; then south on Rt. 202 to its intersection with Rt. 23 near Wayne; then south on Rt. 23 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then southwest on Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 511; then south on Rt. 511 to its intersection with Rt. 510; then west on Rt. 510 to its intersection with Rt. 124 at Morristown; then southeast on Rt. 124 to its intersection with Rt. 82; then southeast along Rt. 82 to its intersection with Rt. 22; then southwest on Rt. 22 to its intersection with Rt. 287 near Somerville; then southeast on Rt. 287 to its intersection with Rt. 18 near South Bound Brook; then southeast on Rt. 18 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then north on the Turnpike to its intersection with the

Raritan River; then east along the north bank of the Raritan River to Raritan Bay and the New York State line; then north along the New York State line to Arthur Kill and west bank of the Hudson River; then west along the New Jersey-New York border to the point of beginning near Suffern.

**Zone No. 37:** That portion of Fort Dix Military Reservation, U.S. Dept. of the Army, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Burlington County.

**Zone No. 38:** That portion of Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Morris County.

**Zone No. 39:** That portion of Naval Weapons Station Earle, U.S. Department of the Navy designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Monmouth County.

**Zone No. 40:** That portion of Naval Weapons Station Earle, Waterfront Section, U.S. Department of the Navy, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Monmouth County.

**Zone No. 41:** That portion of Hunterdon and Mercer counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 31 and Rt. 202 at Ringoes; then south along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 546 at the Pennington traffic circle; then west along Rt. 546 to the Delaware River; then north along east bank of Delaware River to its intersection with Rt. 202; then north along Rt. 202 to the point beginning at Ringoes.

**Zone No. 42:** That portion of Atlantic County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the south bank of the Mullica River and the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 575; then southwest along Rt. 575 to its intersection with Duerer Street; then west on Duerer Street to its intersection with Cologne Avenue; then south on Cologne Avenue to its intersection with Rt. 322; then west on Rt. 322 to its intersection with Rt. 50; then south on Rt. 50 to its intersection with the Great Egg Harbor River at Mays Landing; then south along the east bank of the Great Egg Harbor River to the Atlantic-Cape May County line in Great Egg Harbor Bay; then eastward along the Atlantic-Cape May County line to its intersection with the Atlantic Ocean at the Great Egg Harbor Inlet; then northeast along the Atlantic Ocean to Great Bay; then west along the south shore of Great Bay to the confluence of the Mullica River; then west along the south bank of the Mullica River to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway, the point of beginning. The Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (Zones 56 and 57), the Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61) **and the lands**

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(excluding Laurel Memorial Park Cemetery), roads, right of ways and easements within the contiguous boundary of the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (Zone 66) are excluded from Zone 42.

**Zone No. 43:** That portion of Cumberland County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Buckshutem Road (County Road 670) and Cedarville Road (County Road 610); then southwest on Cedarville Road to its intersection with Newport Centre Grove Road (County Road 629); then southwest on Newport Centre Grove Road to its intersection with the Central Railroad of New Jersey (C.R.R.N.J.); then east on the C.R.R.N.J. line to its intersection with Haleyville Road (County Road 676) at Mauricetown Station; then east on Haleyville Road to its intersection with the Maurice River at Mauricetown; then north along the west bank of the Maurice River to the north bank of Buckshutem Creek at Laurel Lake; then west along the north bank of Buckshutem Creek to Buckshutem Road; then northwest on Buckshutem Road to its intersection with Cedarville Road, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 44:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 45:** That portion of Cumberland, Atlantic and Cape May counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Broad Street (Rt. 552 spur) and Delsea Drive (Rt. 47); then northeast along Rt. 552 spur to Rt. 552; then continuing northeast along Rt. 552 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River at Milmay; then south along the west bank of the Tuckahoe River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Hunter's Mill; then southeast on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Rt. 548; then west on Rt. 548 to its intersection with Delsea Drive (Rt. 47) and the Manumuskin River in Port Elizabeth; then west along the south bank of Manumuskin River to its intersection with the Maurice River; then north along the east bank of the Maurice River to its intersection with Rt. 49 in Millville; then east on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Delsea Drive (Rt. 47); then north on Rt. 47 to its intersection with Broad Street (Rt. 552 spur), the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 46:** That portion of Atlantic County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 49 and the Tuckahoe River at Hunter's Mill; then southeast along Rt. 49 to its intersection with the Tuckahoe River and the Atlantic-Cape May County line at Head of River; then eastward along the north bank of the Tuckahoe River to Great Egg Harbor Bay and the Egg Harbor Township line on the Egg Harbor River; then northwest along the west bank of the Egg Harbor River to its intersection with Rt. 40 at Mays Landing; then west on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Estell Ave; then south on Estell Ave. to its intersection with Rt. 552 then southwest on Rt. 552 to its intersection

with the Tuckahoe River at Milmay; then south along the east bank of the Tuckahoe River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Hunter's Mill the point of beginning. The Atlantic County Park System (Zone 61) is excluded from Zone 46.

**Zone No. 47:** That portion of Gloucester, Atlantic and Cumberland counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 47 and 40 at Malaga; then southeast on Rt. 40 to its intersection with Estell Ave; then south on Estell Ave to its intersection with Rt. 552; then southwest on Rt. 552 to spur 552; then west on spur 552 to its intersection with Rt. 47 at Millville; then north on Rt. 47 to Malaga, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 48:** That portion of Burlington County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Route 38 near Moorestown; then east along Route 38 to its intersection with Route 530; then east along Route 530 along the Pemberton by-pass to its intersection with the southern boundary of Fort Dix Military Reservation; then northward along the western Fort Dix boundary to its intersection with County Road 670; then east on County Road 670 to its intersection with Route 545 at Wrightstown; then northwest on Route 545 which becomes Farnsworth Avenue; then continuing northwest on Farnsworth Ave. to its intersection with W. Burlington Street; then southwest on W. Burlington St. to its intersection with Interstate 295; then north on Interstate 295 to its intersection with Crosswicks Creek at Bordentown; then west along the south bank of Crosswicks Creek to its intersection with the Delaware River at Bordentown; then southwest along the east bank of the Delaware River to Route 541 at the City of Burlington; then southeast along Route 541 to its intersection with Interstate 295; then southwest along Interstate 295 to its intersection with Rancocas Creek; then east along Rancocas Creek to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Route 38, the point of beginning. New Bold and Burlington Islands lying in the Delaware River are in this zone.

**Zone No. 49:** That portion of Gloucester, Camden and Burlington counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the mouth of Mantua Creek on the Delaware River; then northeast along the east bank of the Delaware River to Rt. 541 at the City of Burlington; then southeast along Rt. 541 to its intersection with Interstate 295; then southwest along Interstate-295 to its intersection with Rancocas Creek; then east along the Rancocas Creek to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 73; then south along Rt. 73 to its intersection with County Road 689 (Cross Keys Road) at Berlin; then southwest along

County Road 689 to its intersection with County Road 688 Turnersville-Hickstown Road); then west along County road 688 to its intersection with County Road 705; then northwest along County Road 705 (County House Road) to its intersection with County Road 635 (Grenlode-Hurfville Road); then southwest on County Road 635 to its intersection with Mantua Creek; then northwest along Mantua Creek to its mouth at the Delaware River, the point of beginning. Petty Island lying in the Delaware River is in this zone.

**Zone No. 50:** That portion of Monmouth and Middlesex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the New Jersey Turnpike and Rt. 522 near Jamesburg; then southeast on Rt. 522 to the intersection with Rt. 537 at Freehold; then southwest on Rt. 537 to the intersection with business Rt. 33; then east on Rt. 33 to the intersection with the western edge of the fenced boundary of the Earle Naval Weapons Depot; then north and east along the fenced boundary of the Earle Depot to the intersection of County Route 38 (Wayside Rd.) and Rt. 547 at the most eastern point of the fenced boundary of Naval Weapons Station-Earle; then northeast on Rt. 547 to the intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then north on the Garden State parkway to the intersection with Rt. 36 near Eatontown; then east on Rt. 36 to the Atlantic Ocean; then north along the Atlantic coastline to the Raritan Bay; then south and west along the southern shore of Raritan Bay to the Raritan River; then continuing west along the south bank of the Raritan River to the intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then southwest along the New Jersey Turnpike to the intersection with Rt. 522, the point of beginning. Monmouth Battlefield State Park (Zone 64), Naval Weapons Station Earle (Zones 39 and 40), and Fort Monmouth (Zone 62), are excluded from this zone.

**Zone No. 51:** That portion of Monmouth and Ocean counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 547 and Rt. 571 near Lakehurst; then southeast along Rt. 571 to the intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then south on the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 72 near Manahawkin; then east along Rt. 72 to the Atlantic Ocean at Ship Bottom; then north along the Atlantic coastline to the intersection with Rt. 36 in Long Branch; then west on Rt. 36 to the intersection with the Garden State Parkway near Eatontown; then south on the parkway to the intersection with 547; then south on Rt. 547 to the intersection with county route 38 (Wayside Road) at the eastern fenced boundary of Naval Weapons Station- Earle; then south along the eastern fenced boundary of Naval Weapons Station, Earle to the intersection with Rt. 34; then south on Rt. 34 to the intersection with Tinton Falls Rd. and Rt. 33; then south on

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**Note: Shaded zones represent a change for this year.**

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Tinton Falls Rd. to the intersection with Rt. 547 (Asbury Rd.); then south on Rt. 547 through Farmingdale to the intersection with Rt. 571, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 52:** That portion of Fort Dix Military Reservation, U.S. Department of the Army, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Ocean County.

**Zone No. 53:** That portion of Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Center, U.S. Department of the Navy, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Ocean county.

**Zone No. 54:** Those portions of Picatinny Arsenal, U.S. Department of the Army, Installation Management Agency (IMA), designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Morris County.

**Zone No. 55:** That portion of Gloucester County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rts. 47 and 322 at Glassboro; then east along Rt. 322 (County Rt. 536) to its intersection with Rt. 655 (Fries Mill Rd.); then south on Rt. 655 to its intersection with Rt. 610 (Academy Avenue); then west on Rt. 610 to its intersection with Rt. 47 (Delsea Drive) at Clayton; then north along Rt. 47 to its intersection with Rt. 322 at Glassboro, the point of beginning.

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**Zone No. 56:** That portion of Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Department of the Interior, located south of Stoney Hill Road, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

**Zone No. 57:** That portion of Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Department of the Interior, located north of Stoney Hill Road and south of the Mullica River, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

**Zone No. 58:** Those portions of Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, including the Barnegat Division, U.S. Department of the Interior, located north of the Mullica River, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Burlington and Ocean counties.

**Zone No. 59:** That portion of Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Department of the Interior, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Salem County.

**Zone No. 60:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 61:** Those portions of the Atlantic County Park System, County of Atlantic, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Atlantic County.

**Zone No. 62:** Not designated.

**Zone No. 63:** That portion of Salem County lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of the Salem Canal and the Delaware River at Deepwater; then eastward along the south bank of the Salem Canal to its intersection with the Salem River; then southward along the west bank of the Salem River to its intersection with Rt. 49 at Salem; then southeastward on Rt. 49 to its intersection with Alloway Creek at Quinton; then southwest along the northern bank of the Alloway Creek to its intersection with the Delaware River; then northward along the east bank of the Delaware River and New Jersey State line to Finns Point and Fort Mott State Park; then northward along the New Jersey State Line through Killcohook National Wildlife Refuge to the Delaware River; then northwest along the east bank of the Delaware River; then northwestward along the east bank of the Delaware River and New Jersey State line to its intersection with the Salem Canal at Deepwater, the point of beginning. The Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge (Zone 59) is excluded from Zone 63.

**Zone No. 64:** That portion of Monmouth Battlefield State Park, designated as open for deer hunting, lying within Monmouth County.

**Zone No. 65:** That portion of Camden and Gloucester counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 322 and County Road Rt. 659 (Malaga-New Brooklyn Rd.) in Monroe Township, Gloucester County; then northeast along Rt. 659 to its intersection with County Road Rt. 536 at New Brooklyn; then northward along Rt. 536 to its intersection with County Road Rt. 720 (Brooklyn-Blue Anchor Rd.); then southeast on Rt. 720 to its intersection with Rt. 73 near Blue Anchor; then southward along Rt. 73 to its intersection with Piney Hollow Road; then southwest along Piney Hollow Road to its intersection with Rt. 322; then west along Rt. 322 to its intersection with County Road Rt. 659, the point of beginning.

**Zone No. 66:** That portion of Atlantic County including lands, roads, right of ways and easements within the contiguous boundary of the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center, excluding Laurel Memorial Park Cemetery. Lands open for deer hunting only and persons authorized to hunt deer on the facility shall be determined by the Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center, the administrative agency.

**Zone No. 67:** That portion of High Point State Park, located north and east of Deckertown Turnpike (Rt. 650), designated as open to hunting, lying within Sussex County.



## Black Bear Regulations

### Black Bear Hunting Season: Dec. 6–11, 2004.

Following commencement of the black bear season, the Commissioner of DEP or the Director may, after consultation with the Council Chairman, close the season. The Commissioner or the Director will announce such closure, which will become effective 24 hours from the daily legal closing time of the day on which the decision is made, based upon data obtained and reviewed by the Division. The notification number for season closure is the permit hotline number, (609) 292-9192. Season closure notification will also be announced by news release, radio and the Division's Web site ([www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)).

**Hunting Hours:** Legal hunting hours for black bear shall be 1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset.

**Bag Limit:** Only one bear of either sex and any age may be taken per properly licensed hunter. It is unlawful to take or attempt to take or continue to hunt for more than the number of black bear permitted.

**Special permit requirement:** All black bear hunters must have a current and valid firearm hunting license and a special "Black Bear Hunting Permit" issued by the Division. See Black Bear Permits, page 5. Hunters are limited to one black bear hunting permit.

**Mandatory Bear Hunter Seminar:** All successful permit applicants must successfully complete a bear hunting seminar conducted by the Division. Hunters who had successfully completed a seminar last year need not attend again. Applicants will be able to designate on their application their first, second and third preference for seminar location and date. The Division will notify successful applicants of the date, time, and location of the bear hunting seminar they must attend.

**Youth Bear Hunters:** Youth hunters (aged 10 through 13 on or before Dec. 6, 2004), with a valid hunting license must also possess a black bear hunting permit. Youth hunters must be under the direct supervision of a properly licensed adult (21 years of age or older) while bear hunting. The adult must also possess a black bear hunting permit. Direct supervision means the youth hunter and the supervising adult are together at the same location. The youth hunter may not hunt independently of the adult.

### Firearms and Ammunition Legal For Bear Hunting:

**Shotgun:** not smaller than 20 gauge nor larger than 10 gauge with rifled slugs. Lead, lead alloy or copper rifled slug or sabot slug. Buckshot is prohibited.

**Muzzleloader Rifle:** single-barrel, single shot rifles not less than .45 caliber. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions. Double barrel muzzleloaders prohibited. Persons hunting with muzzleloader rifle must also possess a current and valid rifle-hunting permit.



**Baiting:** No person shall attempt to take or kill a black bear or have in their possession or control any firearm, or other weapon of any kind, while elevated in a standing tree or in a structure of any kind within 300 feet of a baited area. On national wildlife refuges and at the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, the distribution of bait and/or hunting over bait is prohibited. Hunters should also check with the landowner or administrative agency before placing bait on any hunting area.

### Additional Black Bear Hunting Regulations:

- Black bear hunters must wear a hat or an outer garment containing at least 200 square inches of fluorescent orange material visible from all sides at all times while bear hunting.
- It shall be illegal to use dogs to pursue or run black bear.
- Allowable hunting methods: stand hunting, still-hunting or drive hunting.
- Black bears may not be taken from dens.
- Hunters using or possessing any shotgun slug in the field during the bear seasons must have a shotgun with adjustable open iron or peep sights or a scope affixed to the shotgun.
- Telescopic sights of any magnification (scope power) are permitted for bear hunting on all firearms, including muzzleloader rifles.
- Shotgun shells containing single spherical projectiles referred to as pumpkin balls are prohibited.
- While bear hunting with a shotgun, it is illegal to have in possession any ammunition not authorized for bear hunting.
- Only one muzzleloader rifle may be in possession while bear hunting.
- All firearms must be cased and unloaded while being transported in vehicles.
- It is illegal to take or attempt to take a black bear with a bow and arrows.

**Black Bear Hunting Area is located as follows:** That portion of Warren, Hunterdon, Somerset, Morris, Passaic, Bergen and Sussex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Interstate Route 78 (I-78) and the east bank of the Delaware River at

Phillipsburg; then east along I-78 to its intersection with Interstate Route 287 (I-287); then north and east along I-287 to its intersection with the New Jersey state line at the New York border; then north and west along the New Jersey state line to its intersection with the Delaware River; then south along the east bank of the Delaware River to its intersection with I-78 at Phillipsburg, the point of beginning, shall be open to black bear hunting. The islands of Mashipacong, Namanock, Minisink, Depew, Tocks, Poxono and Labor lying in the Delaware River are included in the black bear hunting area. All other areas of New Jersey shall remain closed to black bear hunting.

**After Harvesting a Bear—Mandatory Bear Check Requirement:** Properly licensed hunters who harvest a black bear shall immediately complete and affix to the bear hide the "Black Bear Transportation Tag" from their Black Bear Hunting Permit. Information included on the black bear transportation tag shall include: the hunter's name, address, current firearm license number; date and time of kill; nearest road, county and municipality of kill; and the sex of the black bear.

Successful hunters must take the black bear to a designated check station by 8 p.m. EST on the day of the kill. Hunters shall surrender the black bear transportation tag and will be issued a legal possession seal. Any legally killed black bear recovered too late to be brought to a designated black bear check station by 8 p.m. EST on the date of the kill must be reported immediately by telephone to the Northern Region Office of the Bureau of Law Enforcement (908) 735-8240.

Hunters must provide their name, address and a telephone number where they can be reached on the telephone message recording device, if a Division representative is not available. Said black bear must be brought to a designated black bear check station on the next weekday to be registered and to receive a legal possession seal.

**It is critical to remove the hide and cool the bear immediately after checking the bear. Cooling a bear with ice from inside the body cavity is inadequate to prevent the meat from spoiling. If the hide remains on overnight, the meat may be unsuitable for consumption.**

### Mandatory Black Bear Check Stations:

#### Warren County:

- Pequest Wildlife Management Area, 605 Pequest Road, Oxford

#### Morris County:

- Black River Wildlife Management Area, 275 North Road, Chester

#### Sussex County:

- Flatbrook Roy WMA Rt. 615 (Walpack Rd.), Sandyston
- Wawayanda State Park, 885 Warwick Turnpike, Hewitt
- Whittingham WMA 148 Fredon-Springdale Rd., Newton

## Small Game Hunting Regulations



A current and valid hunting license (Bow and Arrow, Firearm or All-around Sportsmen) is required to pursue any small game species. Hunting for those species found on page 52 and 53 is prohibited during the statewide six-day firearm deer season and on the Wednesday of the permit shotgun deer season that immediately follows the six-day firearm season. (See exceptions for *Coyote and Fox*, deer regulations, semi-wild and commercial shooting preserves.)

See 2004–05 Small Game Hunting seasons on pages 52 and 53 for dates, hunting hours and daily limits for all small game species open for hunting. Hunting with firearms is prohibited on state wildlife management areas designated as pheasant and quail stamp areas on Nov. 12, 2004, except in tidal marshes open to an ongoing waterfowl season. (See *Pheasants*.)

Properly licensed hunters may hunt small game with shotguns or bow and arrow. Shotguns may be no larger than 10 gauge and hold no more than three shells. Shot size may be no larger than #4 fine shot. Compound bows must have a minimum peak weight of 35 pounds. All other bows must have a minimum draw weight of 35 pounds.

Property owners or their agents, and occupants of dwellings that are suffering damage from opossum, raccoon, skunk, squirrel, weasel or woodchuck may control them by lawful means at any time subject to local ordinances.

### Coyote and Fox

The duration of the coyote and fox hunting season is as follows: Bow and Arrow only—Oct. 2 to Nov. 12, 2004; and, Firearm or Bow and Arrow—Nov. 13, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005. The hours of hunting coyote and fox are 8 a.m. EST to one half hour after sunset on Nov. 13, 2004 and on other days from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. The use of dogs is not allowed during the fox and coyote season (bow and arrow only), during the Six-Day Firearm Season or on the Wednesday of the shotgun permit deer season immediately following the six-day firearm season.

Bows must have a minimum 35-lb draw (long and recurve bows) or 35-lb peak weight (compound bows). Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4 inches. Shotguns may not be smaller than .410 or larger than 10 gauge capable of holding no more than 3 shells. Shot size may not be larger than #4 fine shot.

Properly licensed persons hunting deer during the Six-day Firearm, Permit Muzzleloader or Permit Shotgun deer seasons may kill fox or coyote, when the person is in possession of a valid deer transportation tag for the applicable deer season (e.g., before harvesting a deer). All hunting

must cease immediately upon harvesting deer and completing the deer transportation tag(s). Hunting fox or coyote while deer hunting may resume following the issuance of a New Jersey Supplemental Deer Transportation Tag for the applicable deer season (provided the season remains open and the season bag limit of deer has not been reached). Only applicable missiles approved for deer hunting may be used to take fox and coyote incidental to deer hunting during the deer seasons described above. **Note:** fine shot may not be in possession while deer hunting.

There is no bag limit for fox. The coyote daily bag limit is two. **All successful coyote hunters must report any coyote harvested to a Division Law Enforcement Office within 24 hours.**

### Coyote and Fox, Special February Season

A Division issued permit will be required to hunt coyote during the special coyote and fox season (Feb. 1–21, 2005). Hunting methods are restricted to calling and stand hunting. No person may stalk or attempt to approach a coyote or fox for the purpose of hunting. A predator calling device (electronic, mouth blown or other) must be in possession while hunting during the special season. The use of dogs or bait is prohibited. Fluorescent hunter orange is not required on outer clothing while hunting during this season, but it is recommended that it be worn while moving to and from hunting areas.

Coyote and fox may be hunted with bow and arrow, shotgun and single barrel muzzleloader rifles between one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. Bows must have a minimum 35-lb draw (long and recurve bows) or 35-lb peak weight (compound bows). Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4 inches. Shotguns may not be smaller than 12 or larger than 10 gauge capable of holding no more than 3 shells. Shot size may not be larger than #2 or smaller than #4 fine shot. Muzzleloading rifles shall be no less than .44 caliber. Smoothbore muzzleloaders shall be single barreled. Between one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise, only 10 or 12 gauge shotguns with #2 or #4 fine shot may be used. Portable lights are allowed. **All successful coyote hunters must report any coyote harvested to a Division law enforcement office within 24 hours.**

Permits shall be applied for as follows: A three-inch by five-inch index card containing the applicant's name, mailing address, date of birth and evening telephone number must be submitted to the Division of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 003, Trenton, NJ 08625-0003, between Oct. 15 and Nov. 15. Applicants should write "Coyote Hunting Season" at the bottom of the card. A \$2 processing fee is required. Make check or money order payable to "New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife."

### Pheasants

The daily bag limit is two pheasants of either sex in Pheasant Hunting Zones 1 and 3, on all wildlife management areas and on the Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station. Hunters should not take or attempt to take female pheasants elsewhere or to have female pheasants in their possession unless in the areas described above. The daily bag limit is two male pheasants in Pheasant Hunting Zone 2. See exceptions for semi-wild and commercial shooting preserves.

**Pheasant Hunting Zone 1:** That portion of Bergen, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren counties lying north of Route 80 from the Delaware River eastward to its convergence with Route 95 and continuing eastward on Route 95 to the Hudson River at Fort Lee.

**Pheasant Hunting Zone 2:** That portion of Burlington Camden, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Somerset, Sussex and Warren counties lying south of Route 80 from the Delaware River eastward to its convergence with Route 95 and continuing eastward on Route 95 to the Hudson River at Fort Lee, and north of the Ben Franklin Bridge on the Delaware River and Route 30 in Camden, then eastward on Route 30 to its intersection with Route 38, then east on Route 38 to its intersection with Route 70, then continuing eastward and northeast on Route 70 to its intersection with the Manasquan River near Brielle, then eastward along the Manasquan River to the Atlantic Ocean.

**Pheasant Hunting Zone 3:** That portion of Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Ocean and Salem counties lying south of the Ben Franklin Bridge on the Delaware River and Route 30 in Camden, then eastward on Route 30 to its intersection with Route 38, then east on Route 38 to its intersection with Route 70, then continuing eastward and northeast on Route 70 to its intersection with the Manasquan River near Brielle, then eastward along the Manasquan River to the Atlantic Ocean.

**Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas:** Anyone aged 16 and over (except 16 year olds whose youth license remains valid through Dec. 31 of the year they turn 16) hunting or possessing pheasant or quail on the following designated wildlife management areas shall have in possession a current and valid Pheasant and Quail Stamp (Youth Hunting licenses include a pheasant and quail stamp): Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Millville, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, Greenwood (including Pasadena-Howardsville), Heislerville, Tuckahoe, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan River, Medford, Nantuxent, Peaslee, Pequest, Port Republic, Stafford Forge, Walpack, Whittingham and Winslow. Other areas where possession of a current and valid Pheasant and Quail Stamp is required include the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and Fort Dix Military Reservation. **The hunter must sign in ink across the face of the stamp.**

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## Small Game Hunting Regulations

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### Pheasant and Quail Stocking

The Division anticipates game bird stocking to be 50,000 pheasants and 10,000 quail.

The Assunpink, Berkshire Valley, Black River, Clinton, Colliers Mills, Dix, Flatbrook, Glassboro, Millville, Nantuxent, Pequest, Port Republic, Tuckahoe, Walpack and Whittingham WMAs will be stocked with pheasants for the following dates:

Nov. 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27 and 30  
Dec. 2, 4, 18, 21, 23, 28 and 30

The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and the Heislerville, Howardsville, Mad Horse, Manahawkin, Manasquan, Medford, Stafford Forge and Winslow WMAs will be stocked with pheasants for the following dates:

Nov. 13, 20, 25 and 27  
Dec. 4, 18, 21, 23, 28 and 30

The Greenwood Forest and Peaslee WMAs will be stocked with quail for the following dates:

Nov. 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27 and 30  
Dec. 2, 4, 18, 21, 23, 28 and 30

Fish and Wildlife reminds sportsmen and women that the pheasant and quail stocking list is tentative until approved by the Fish and Game Council in early October. The schedule is also subject to change for emergency weather conditions.

### Pheasants, Semi-Wild and Commercial Preserve Hunting

Youth hunters, who are in possession of a valid Youth Hunting License and accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult, will be permitted to hunt pheasant, quail and/or chukar partridge on licensed semi-wild or commercial preserves on Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004, the Youth Pheasant Hunting Day. Hunting for certain species of game birds is allowed from Nov. 13, 2004 to Mar. 15, 2005 on semi-wild and Sept. 1, 2004 through May 1, 2005 on commercial shooting preserve lands that are properly licensed for the taking of such species. These species of game may be hunted on Sunday only on semi-wild or commercial shooting preserve lands.

All game taken on semi-wild or commercial preserves must be properly tagged before transport.

A person may legally hunt on semi-wild or commercial preserves for game species under license during the deer seasons, but no shot larger than #4 fine may be used. Pheasant of either sex may be taken.

### Squirrel, Muzzleloading Rifle Season

Persons holding a current and valid rifle firearm license and rifle permit may hunt for squirrels from sunrise to one half hour after sunset with a muzzleloading rifle (.36 caliber or smaller loaded with a single projectile) during the periods Sept. 25 to Nov. 12, 2004; and, Jan. 8 to Feb. 21, 2005. Hunting for squirrel in the manner described

above is restricted to the areas described below:

Those portions of Passaic, Mercer, Hunterdon, Warren, Morris and Sussex counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 513 and the New York State line; then south along Rt. 513 to its intersection with Rt. 511; then south along Rt. 511 to its intersection with Rt. 46; then west along Rt. 46 to its intersection with Rt. 80; then west along Rt. 80 to its intersection with Rt. 15; then north along Rt. 15 to its intersection with the Morris-Sussex County line; then south along the Morris-Sussex County line to the Warren County line; then southwest along the Morris-Warren County line to the Hunterdon County line; then southeast along the Morris-Hunterdon County line to the Somerset County line; then south along the Somerset-Hunterdon County line to its intersection with the Mercer County line; then west and south along the Hunterdon Mercer County line to its intersection with Rt. 31; then south along Rt. 31 to its intersection with Rt. 546; then west along Rt. 546 to the Delaware River; then north along the east bank of the Delaware River to the New York State Line; then east along the New York State Line to the point of beginning at Lakeside; and in that portion of

Salem, Gloucester, Camden, Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth, Ocean, Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties lying within a continuous line beginning at the intersection of Rt. 295 and the Delaware River; then east along Rt. 295 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then east along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 40; then east along Rt. 40 to its intersection with Rt. 47; then north along Rt. 47 to its intersection with Rt. 536; then east along Rt. 536 to its intersection with Rt. 206; then north along Rt. 206 to its intersection with the New Jersey Turnpike; then northeast along the New Jersey Turnpike to its intersection with Rt. 571; then southeast along Rt. 571 to its intersection with the Garden State Parkway; then south along the Garden State Parkway to its intersection with Rt. 9 at Somers Point; then south along Rt. 9 to its intersection with Rt. 83; then west along Rt. 83 to its intersection with Rt. 47; then north along Rt. 47 to its intersection with Dennis Creek; then south along the west bank of Dennis Creek to its intersection with Delaware Bay; then northwest along the east shore of Delaware Bay and the Delaware River to the point of beginning.

### Woodchuck

All persons in possession of a rifle while hunting must have a current and valid rifle permit in addition to the current hunting license. No rifle hunting (of any kind) for woodchuck is permitted on state owned WMAs, parks, forests or recreation areas. Farmers and their agents may use shot not larger than #4 buckshot to control woodchucks causing damage. Hours of hunting are sunrise to one half hour after sunset.

Woodchuck Season Dates	Weapon Type Permitted	Gauge, Caliber or Weight	Projectile(s)
Mar. 1 to Sept. 29, 2004 and Mar. 1 to Sept. 28, 2005	Center-fire rifle	.25 caliber or less	Hollow point, soft point or expanding lead core bullets of any weight.
		Larger than .25 caliber	Hollow point, soft point or expanding lead core bullets of any weight not exceeding 100 grains in weight.
	Rim-fire rifle	.25 caliber or less	Hollow point or soft point
	Muzzleloading rifle—single-shot, single barrel. Flintlock, percussion and in-line ignitions permitted.	No restriction	Must be loaded with a single projectile, either round ball or conical bullet.
Sept. 25 to Dec. 4, Dec. 13, 14 and 16-31, 2004; and Jan. 1 to Feb. 21, 2005	Bow long, recurve or compound	35 pounds pull at archer's draw length (long and recurve bows) or peak weight (compound bow)	Arrows must be fitted with a well-sharpened metal broadhead with a minimum width of 3/4"
	Shotgun—single or double barrel, rifled bore or smoothbore	Not larger than 10 gauge, capable of holding no more than three shells	Shot—sizes not larger than #4 fine shot

## REGULATIONS

# 2004–2005 New Jersey Small Game Hunting Seasons

Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Chukar partridge and Quail	Nov. 13, 2004 to Dec. 4; Dec. 13, 14 and 16–31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Chukar—7 Quail—7	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page 50).
Coyote* and Fox <b>Bow, Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun</b>	<b>Bow and Arrow only:</b> Oct. 2 to Nov. 12, 2004	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Coyote—2 Fox—None	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004. <b>Rifle permit required when hunting with a rifle</b>
	<b>Firearm or Bow and Arrow:</b> Nov. 13, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Coyote—2 Fox—None	Closed Dec. 6–11 and Dec. 15, 2004 except as noted (see page 50). All coyotes must be reported within 24 hrs.
Special Eastern Coyote* and Fox Season <b>Bow, Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun</b>	Feb. 1–21, 2005	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Coyote—2 Fox—None	<b>Permit required. Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle.</b> Calling and standing hunting only. Predator calling device must be in possession.
	<b>Shotgun Only</b>	1/2 hour <i>after</i> sunset to 1/2 hour <i>before</i> sunrise		<b>10 or 12 Gauge Shotgun ONLY (#2 or #4 shot only)</b>
Crow	Aug. 9, 2004 to Mar. 19, 2005 on <b>Mondays and Thurs.–Sat. only</b>	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004 Closed Dec. 6–11, 2004 <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
Gallinule & Rail (Clapper, Sora and Virginia)	Sept. 1 to Nov. 8, 2004	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	Gallinule—10 Rail, Clapper—10 Rail, Sora and Virginia—25 (in aggregate)	<b>HIP number required</b> Nontoxic shot regulations in effect at all times. See page 52. <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
Goose, Canada (Early Season)	Sept. 1–30, 2004	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	8	<b>HIP number required</b> <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
Grouse (Ruffed)	Sept. 25 to Dec. 4** Dec. 13, 14 and 16–31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	3	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004
Opossum & Raccoon	Oct. 1, 2004 to Mar. 1, 2005	1 hour after sunset to 1 hour before sunrise	Opossum—None Raccoon—None	Closed Dec. 6–11 and Dec. 15, 2004
Pheasant	Nov. 13 to Dec. 4; Dec. 13, 14 and 16–31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	2***	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004 Pheasant and Quail Stamp required on designated areas (See page 50)
Rabbit, Hare and Jackrabbit	Nov. 13 to Dec. 4; Dec. 13, 14 and 16–31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	Cottontail—4 Hare—1 Jackrabbit—1	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004
Sea ducks	Sept. 18, 2004 to Jan. 18, 2005	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	7, not more than four of which may be scoters	<b>HIP number required</b> <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
Snipe	Sept. 18, 2004 to Jan. 1, 2005	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset	8	<b>HIP number required</b> <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b>
Squirrel (Eastern Gray)	Sept. 25 to Dec. 4,** Dec. 13, 14 and 16–31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004
Squirrel (Eastern Gray) <b>Muzzleloading Rifle (.36 caliber or smaller)</b>	Sept. 25 to Nov. 12, 2004** and Jan. 8 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	5	<b>Rifle permit required.</b> Designated areas only (see page 51)

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## REGULATIONS

# 2004–2005 New Jersey Small Game Hunting Seasons

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Species (alphabetical)	Inclusive Dates	Hunting Hours	Daily Limits	Notes
Turkey (Fall, Either Sex)	Hunting Period N Oct. 25 to Oct. 30, 2004	1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	1, Either Sex	<b>Permit required.</b> Turkey Hunting Areas 1–11, 20 and 21 only
Turkey (Spring Gobbler)	April 18 to May 27, 2005	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon	1 <b>Male</b> Wild Turkey	<b>Permit required.</b> See 2005 Turkey Permit Supplement
Woodchuck— <b>Bow, Rifle or Shotgun</b>	Mar. 1 to Sept. 29, 2004. Mar. 1 to Sept. 28, 2005.	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	<b>Rifle permit required if hunting with rifle</b> Rifle hunting prohibited on state properties
Woodchuck— <b>Bow or Shotgun</b>	Sept. 25 to Dec. 4** Dec. 13, 14 and 16–31, 2004 to Feb. 21, 2005	Sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset	None	8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004
Woodcock	<b>North:</b> Oct. 21 to Nov. 13,** 2004; <b>South:</b> Nov. 13–27 and Dec. 24–Jan. 1, 2005	Sunrise to sunset	3	<b>HIP number required</b> <b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b> 8 a.m. start on Nov. 13, 2004
Youth Turkey Day	April 16, 2005	1/2 hour before sunrise to noon	1 <b>Male</b> Wild Turkey	<b>Permit required.</b> See 2005 Turkey Permit Supplement. (See page 70)
Youth Upland Bird Day	Nov. 6, 2004	8 a.m. to sunset	Pheasant—2***	Selected WMAs & licensed semi-wilds (See page 70)
Youth Waterfowl Days	<b>North Zone:</b> Sept. 25 <b>South Zone:</b> Oct. 2 <b>Coastal Zone:</b> Oct. 23	1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset		<b>See Migratory Bird Regs.</b> (See page 71)



\*All harvested coyote must be reported to a regional Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement office within 24 hours.

\*\* No firearm hunting is permitted on Nov. 12, 2004 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp Areas.

\*\*\* The daily bag limit is two pheasants of either-sex in Pheasant Hunting Zones 1 and 3 and on all wildlife management areas and on Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station. The daily bag limit is two male pheasants in Pheasant Hunting Zone 2. (See page 50). No Sunday hunting; see exceptions on pages 16 and 51.



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# 2004–2005 Trapping Regulations

• A trapping license is required and a Trapper Education course must be passed. See page 4 for license information.



- All traps set or used must bear a legible tag of durable material with the name and address of the person setting, using and maintaining the traps. A trap identification number issued by the Division may be used in lieu of a name and address (contact the Bureau of Wildlife Management at (609) 292-6685 for more information).
- When trapping beaver or otter, the trap tag must be clearly visible above the level of water or ice.
- No traps or trap stakes are to be set prior to times indicated in this section.
- All traps must be checked and tended at least once every 24 hours, preferably in the morning.
- No trap shall be permitted to remain set on any property at the close of the trapping season.
- No person shall steal or attempt to take traps of another, or remove a trapped animal without permission of the trap owner.
- **Any person (including a farmer) who traps a coyote must notify a Division law enforcement office within 24 hours.**
- Licensed trappers at least 18 years of age and in possession of a valid rifle permit may carry a .22 caliber rifle, and use only .22 caliber short rim-fire cartridges to kill legally trapped animals

other than muskrats. Firearms may not be loaded with more than three rounds.

## Traps, body gripping type (snares)

Body gripping restraining snares shall be subject to the following requirements:

1. No person shall set, use or maintain any type of snare unless they have first satisfactorily completed a Division approved trapper education course and carry on their person appropriate certification thereof. This training is part of New Jersey's basic trapper education course.
2. *Except when submerged under water or when set for mink and muskrat*, all snares of the body gripping type used in trapping must be constructed of aircraft cable or crucible wire measuring 5/64 to 3/32 inches in diameter and be equipped with a swivel. Mink and muskrat body gripping snares must be constructed of aircraft cable or crucible wire measuring 1/32, 3/64 or 1/16 inches in diameter, be equipped with a swivel and set within 50 feet of the mean high water line.
3. *Except when set for mink and muskrat*, no body gripping snare shall be set, used or maintained with the distance between the ground or walking surface to the top of the loop greater than 18 inches. No mink or muskrat body gripping snare shall be set, used or maintained with the distance between the ground or walking surface to the top of the loop greater than seven inches.
4. *Except when submerged under water or when set for mink and muskrat*, no body gripping

snare shall be set, used or maintained unless it is equipped with a stop six inches from the end to restrict loop closure to no less than six inches in circumference and a stop to restrict the average diameter of the loop opening to no greater than eight inches. Mink and muskrat body gripping snares must be equipped with a stop to prevent the average diameter of the loop opening from exceeding four inches.

5. All natural baits consisting of fish, bird or mammal carcasses or flesh used in trapping with body gripping restraining snares must be covered or concealed from view except when placed or located a distance of 30 feet or more from any set snare.

## Traps, Conibear or killer-type

No Conibear or killer-type trap shall be used in non-tidal waters unless completely submerged underwater when the water is at the normal level. In tidal water, such traps must be completely covered at normal high tide.

It is illegal to use, set or possess a Conibear or killer-type trap having a jaw spread greater than six inches without a permit for beaver or river otter. A Conibear or killer-type trap with a jaw spread of no more than 10 inches may be used for beaver or river otter. Jaw spread shall be measured across the trigger of a set trap to the inner edges of the jaws. Beaver and otter trap tags must be placed above the water line and exposed to view.

## Traps, leg-hold

It is illegal to possess or use steel-jawed leghold traps anywhere in New Jersey.

# 2004–2005 New Jersey Trapping Zones, Seasons and Bag Limits

Species	Zone	Inclusive Dates	Season Limits	Notes
Raccoon, Red Fox, Gray Fox, Opossum, Skunk, Weasel & Coyote	Statewide (except WMAs)	Nov. 15, 2004 through Mar. 15, 2005	None	6 a.m. on Nov. 15, 2004
<b>All coyote must be reported within 24 hrs.</b>	State WMAs	Jan. 1 to Mar. 15, 2005	None	6 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2005
Mink, Muskrat & Nutria	Northern Zone* (except WMAs)	Nov. 15, 2004 through Mar. 15, 2005	None	6 a.m. on Nov. 15, 2004
	Southern Zone** (except WMAs)	Dec. 1, 2004 to Mar. 15, 2005	None	6 a.m. on Dec. 1, 2004
	State WMAs	Jan. 1 to Mar. 15, 2005	None	6 a.m. on Jan. 1, 2005
Beaver	By Special Permit only	Jan. 1 to Feb. 9, 2005	8 / permit	Max. of 5 traps in use***
River Otter	By Special Permit only	Jan. 1 to Feb. 9, 2005	1 / season	Max. of 3 traps in use

\* Those portions of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Warren counties lying north of a line beginning at the intersection of US Route 1 and the Delaware River, at Trenton; then north along US Route 1 to its intersection with Interstate Route 287; then south on I-287 to its intersection with Route 440; then east along Route 440 to its intersection with the New Jersey – New York State Line in the Arthur Kill.

\*\* Those portions of the Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean and Salem counties lying south of a line beginning at the intersection of US Route 1 and the Delaware River, at Trenton; then north along US Route 1 to its intersection with Interstate Route 287; then south on I-287 to its intersection with Route 440; then east along Route 440 to its intersection with the New Jersey – New York State Line in the Arthur Kill.

\*\*\* Holders of both a Special Permit and a Special Site Specific Permit may use five additional traps per Special Site Specific Permit provided they are used only on the property or site specified in the Special Site Specific Permit. The bag limit per Site-Specific Permit is 10 beavers.

# Fall and Spring Wild Turkey Hunting Regulations



Non-hunting adults accompanying youth turkey hunters need only have in possession a valid hunting license.

## Fall 2004 Turkey Hunting Regulations

Fall turkey hunting is by permit only. Apply for fall permits on the application for spring gobbler hunting permits. The application period for fall 2004 permits closed Feb. 23, 2004; permits were mailed to successful applicants in July. If you did not apply last winter, leftover permits tentatively will be sold beginning Monday, Sept. 27, 2004 (There will be no Saturday sales for leftover fall season turkey permits). Call the permit hotline for more information at (609) 292-9192. The 2004 fall turkey season will consist of one six-day hunting segment, N, from Monday, Oct. 25 through Saturday, Oct. 30, 2004. Fall hunting hours are one half hour before sunrise until one half hour after sunset. Turkey Hunting Areas 1-11 and Turkey Hunting Areas 20 and 21 will be open for hunting. Turkey Hunting Areas 12, 14, 15, 16 and 22 are closed to fall hunting.

Turkey hunters may take only one wild turkey of either sex per permit during the fall season. However, hunters may only take one turkey per day regardless of the number of permits the hunter holds. Dogs and artificial decoys may be used while turkey hunting in the fall season; however, the use of electronically-operated decoys is prohibited. All turkey hunters are required to have a calling device with them while turkey hunting. Turkeys may not be hunted by a group of hunters larger than five individuals. Hunters may not attempt to chase or drive turkeys for the purpose of putting them in range of other hunters. However, hunters may rush a flock of turkeys to cause the flock to scatter. No shot larger than #4 fine shot or smaller than #7 1/2 fine shot may be used for turkey hunting. Hunters may not use shotguns larger than 10 gauge or smaller than 20 gauge for turkey hunting. Properly licensed hunters may use archery tackle for hunting turkeys. Turkeys may not be hunted within 300 feet of any baited area.

Successful fall turkey hunters must complete the transportation tag on their fall hunting permit immediately upon killing a turkey and must take the bird to an official wild turkey check station by 7 p.m. on the day it is killed. The hunter who killed the bird is the only person who may transport and check the turkey.

## Turkey Hunting Information and Permit Application

A permit is required for both spring and fall turkey hunting. All turkey season permits will be valid on any lands on which hunting is allowed, public or private, within each turkey hunting area. The application period for next fall, 2005 permits is Feb. 1-22, 2005. For the spring (2005) season, 29,250 permits will be available; 3,840 permits will be available for fall 2005. Completed forms must be mailed to Trenton between Feb. 1 and Feb. 22, 2005.

## Spring Gobbler Hunting Regulations

Spring gobbler hunting is by permit only. Hunters with permits for the spring season may hunt only in the Turkey Hunting Area and the hunting segment for which their permit is valid. Spring hunting hours are one half hour before sunrise until noon daily. Hunters may take only one male wild turkey on each permit. Hunters who obtain more than one permit may take a turkey on each permit but only one gobbler may be taken per day, no matter how many permits are held by the hunter.

### Spring Gobbler Season-2005 Season Dates for Turkey Hunting Permits

**Youth Turkey Day Hunt** Sat., April 16; **Segment A:** Mon., April 18 - Fri., April 22; **Segment B:** Mon., April 25 - Fri., April 29; **Segment C:** Mon., May 2 - Fri., May 6; **Segment D:** Mon., May 9 - Fri., May 13; **Segment E:** Mon., May 16 - Fri., May 20; Mon., May 23 - Fri., May 27; **Segment G:** Saturdays: April 23, April 30, May 7, May 14, and May 21, 2005.

No dogs may be used for spring turkey hunting. Artificial decoys may be used while spring turkey hunting however, the use of electronically-operated decoys is prohibited. Spring turkey hunters may not stalk or attempt to approach turkeys for the purpose of killing the bird. All hunters are required to have a calling device with them while turkey hunting. Turkeys may not be hunted within 300 feet of any baited area. No shot size larger than #4 fine shot or smaller than #7 1/2 fine shot may be used for turkey hunting. Hunters may not use shotguns larger than 10 gauge or smaller than 20 gauge for

**Youth Turkey Hunt Day**  
April 16, 2005  
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turkey hunting. Properly licensed hunters may use archery tackle for taking wild turkeys.

Successful spring turkey hunters must complete the transportation tag on their spring hunting permit immediately upon killing a turkey and must take the bird to an official wild turkey check station by 3 p.m. on the day it is killed. The hunter who killed the turkey is the only person who may transport and check the turkey.

## Information

Booklets with turkey hunting information, regulations and application forms will be available at license agents and Division offices by late January 2005. Applicants should apply for both spring and fall seasons on one form. Hunters may submit only one application for turkey permits. Duplicate applications will cause all applications to be voided.

The latest information on turkey hunting techniques is presented at turkey hunting seminars, some of which are sponsored by the Division. These seminars stress safety, calling techniques and "setting up." New turkey hunters are especially encouraged to attend a seminar. Check your newspaper and the application booklet for seminars scheduled for your area in March and April.

## Fall Turkey Permits

At press time, the 2004 Fall Turkey Permit lottery has not been completed.

Tentative date: Monday, Sept. 27, 2004 has been scheduled for over-the-counter sale of leftover permits, if available.

Check the Web site or call the 24-hour automated Permit Hotline at (609) 292-9192 for more detailed information.

## Fall 2004 Turkey Check Stations

### ATLANTIC

**Ted's Taxidermy**, 713 Route 40, Buena, (856) 697-8585

### BURLINGTON

**Sportsman's Center**, Route 130, Bordentown, (609) 298-5300

### CUMBERLAND

**Blackwater Sports Center**, 2228 Delsea Dr., Vineland, (856) 691-1571

**Busnardo's Sport Center**, 886 North Pearl St, Bridgeton, (856) 451-6272

**Big Daddy's Sports Haven**, 595 Sherman Ave., Millville, (856) 825-5500

### HUNTERDON

**Lakeside Deli**, 1878 Rt. 31 N., Clinton, (908) 638-3354

**Sportsman's Rendezvous**, Route 31, Speedway Plaza, Flemington, (908) 788-5828

**Boan's Marine**, 1296 Route 179, Lambertville, (609) 397-3311

**The Corner Store**, Rt. 12 And Rt. 519, Baptistown, (908) 996-7648

**Carousel Deli And Bakery**, Rt. 179 And Wertsville Rd., Ringoes, (908) 788-5180

**Jim Brown's Auto Body**, 1173 Rt. 579, Quakertown, (908) 735-7800

**Jugtown Mountain Campsites**, 1074 Rt. 173 East, Asbury, (908) 735-5995

### MERCER

**Slim's Fins and Furs**, 10 Seminary Ave., Hopewell, (609) 466-3773

### MIDDLESEX

**Sayreville Sportsmen**, 52 Washington Ave., Sayreville, (732) 238-2060

### MORRIS

**The County Sportsman**, 63 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale, (973) 839-7622

**J&J Archery**, Rt. 15 & Weldon Rd., Jefferson, (973) 663-5220

**R&S Sports**, 3 New Street, Budd Lake, (973) 347-1944

**River Run Taxidermy Studio**, 99 West Mill Rd., Long Valley, (908) 876-1966

**County Line Sport Shop**, #10 Route 46, Hackettstown (908) 852-9897

### PASSAIC

**Frank's Bait and Tackle**, 1846 Route 23 North, West Milford, (973) 838-3729

**Greenwood Lake Sports Center**, 1745 Greenwood Lake Turnpike, Hewitt, (973) 728-1000

### SALEM

**North American Archery**, 439 Rt 77, Monroeville, (856) 358-81808

**Joe And Sandy's Country Store**, Main St And Friendship Rd, Canton, (856) 935-1414

**Bradway's Farm Market**, Jericho Rd & Rt 49, Salem, (856) 935-5698

### SOMERSET

**Gladpack Sunoco**, 1 Pottersville Rd, Peapack-Gladstone, (908) 234-1355

**Millstone Sport Shop**, 20 N. River St., Millstone, (908) 359-5713

### SUSSEX

**Hainesville General Store**, 283 Rt. 206 South, Hainesville, (973) 948-4280

**Stokes Sport Shop**, 29 Rt 206 South, Branchville, (973) 948-5448

**Simon-Peter Bait And Tackle**, Route 206 And Brighton Rd, Newton, (973) 786-5313

**Sig Borstad Hunting Supply**, 7 Old Rudetown Road, McAfee, (973) 827-6527

**Swartswood Country Store**, 911 Newton-Swartswood Rd., Stillwater, (973) 383-5470

**Mastodon Sport Shop**, 195 Highland Lakes Rd., Vernon, (973) 764-0200

### WARREN

**Alpine Meats**, Rt. 94 N., Blairstown, (908) 362-8568

**Columbia Sport Shop**, Rt. 46 & Walnut Rd., Columbia, (908) 496-4410

**Hi-Way Sport Shop**, Box 253, Route 31 North, Washington, (908) 689-6208

**The Owl's Nest**, 97 Rt 519, Warren Glen, (908) 995-7903

**The Big K**, 606 Route 519, Johnsonburg, (908) 459-4487

# 2004–05 Migratory Bird Regulations



## What Do I Need To Hunt Migratory Birds In New Jersey?

1. To hunt crows you need a **New Jersey hunting license**—See pages 3 and 4 for hunting license requirements and fees.
2. To hunt woodcock, rail, snipe, coots or gallinule you need a **New Jersey hunting license** and **Harvest Information Program (HIP) number**; see below for HIP information.
3. To hunt ducks, geese or brant you need a **New Jersey hunting license, HIP number, Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp and New Jersey Waterfowl Stamp**. Both Federal and State stamps are required for waterfowl hunters 16 years of age and older and must be signed in ink across the stamp's face. Federal stamps are available at U.S. Post Offices. State stamps are available from agents who sell hunting licenses.

## Important Information For Migratory Bird Hunters

Hunters must obtain a Harvest Information Program (HIP) number before hunting ducks, geese, brant, woodcock, rails, snipe, coots or gallinules in New Jersey.

To obtain a HIP number in New Jersey free of charge, register through Fish and Wildlife's Web site at [www.njfishandwildlife.com/hipprog.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/hipprog.htm) or call **(800) WETLAND**. The 24-hour automated system operates seven days a week. Hunters must have their hunting license number available when calling.

The HIP number must appear on the front of the hunting license in the space next to "2004/05 Fall/Winter NJ HIP#." The number is valid from Sept. 1, 2004, to Mar. 10, 2005.

All information collected through the program is kept confidential and is used by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to conduct migratory bird harvest surveys. As it has done previously, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service also will mail harvest survey information to a small, random group of HIP registrants.

Hunters who need assistance in getting a HIP number can call (888) 764-7343.

Many migratory bird regulations are not confirmed at press time for this *Digest*. Watch for press releases in late August for information on season dates and bag limits. When finalized, migratory bird hunting regulations will be published in the *New Jersey 2004–05 Migratory Bird Regulations* available in **September** at license agents and Division offices. Migratory bird regulations will also be available on the Division Web site at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) as soon as they are finalized. **Migratory bird season dates published in the Migratory Bird Regulations supersede those printed in this *Digest* if there are discrepancies.**

The following dates, although expected to be approved, will not become final until approved by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service in August:

### Dates

September Canada Goose . . . . .	Statewide . . . . .	Sept. 1–30
Rails, Gallinules (Moorhens). . . . .	Statewide . . . . .	Sept. 1–Nov. 8
Sea Ducks . . . . .	Special Sea . . . . .	Sept. 18–Jan. 18, 2005
	Duck Area	
Snipe . . . . .	Statewide . . . . .	Sept. 18–Jan. 1, 2005
Crows (Mon, Thurs, Fri, Sat). . . . .	Statewide . . . . .	Aug. 9–Mar. 19, 2005 (Except closed Dec. 6–11, 2004)
Woodcock . . . . .	North Zone . . . . .	Oct. 21–Nov. 13
	South Zone . . . . .	Nov. 13–Nov. 27 & Dec. 24–Jan. 1, 2005
Mourning Dove . . . . .	Statewide . . . . .	Closed
Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days. . . . .	North Zone . . . . .	Sept. 25
	South Zone . . . . .	Oct. 2
	Coastal Zone . . . . .	Oct. 23

## Hunters: Report Banded Birds

Hunters who recover banded migratory birds are asked to report the band number by calling the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bird Banding Laboratory (BBL) in Washington, D.C., toll free at **(800) 327-BAND**. Band information also can be reported through the BBL's Web site at [www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbll](http://www.pwrc.usgs.gov/bbll).

Banding data plays a critical role in the decision-making process for migratory bird management.

When contacting the BBL, hunters should provide the following information: band number, date the bird was recovered, exact location of the bird's recovery as well as nearest town, and method of recovery, e.g., shot or found dead. Hunters may keep the bands.

The BBL sends a certificate of appreciation to anyone who reports a banded bird, along with information on the date and location of the banding and the age and sex of the bird.



## Atlantic Brant Patch Program

The Atlantic Brant Patch Program features five limited-edition patches available to raise public funds for the Susquehanna River Wetlands Trust. The program began in 2000 with the Banding Project patch. Subsequent patches, including the 2004 design, promote Atlantic brant research. Proceeds from patch sales fund brant research being conducted by the Atlantic Flyway Council. Current research focuses on satellite and conventional radio tracking collars and data analysis.

The 2004 patch is the last in the series.

Dave Barnes, wildlife artist and carver, created the artwork for the first two patches. A committee without a specific artist designed the third patch, and the 2003 patch was based on a set of custom decoys carved for the SRWT by talented wildlife carvers Mike and Susan Veasey.



**Each patch is four inches in diameter, with an iron-on backing. Cost: \$5 each.**

**Shipping and Handling Charges:**

1-2 patches.....	\$1
3-5 patches.....	\$2
6-10 patches.....	\$3
11-25 patches.....	\$4
26-50 patches.....	\$5
51 and up.....	\$6

### Atlantic Brant Patch Order Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Quantity Ordered:**

2000 patches \_\_\_\_\_ 2001 patches \_\_\_\_\_ 2002 patches \_\_\_\_\_

2003 patches \_\_\_\_\_ 2004 patches \_\_\_\_\_

Total # Patches \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 5 per patch = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping & Handling (per chart above) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to SRWT.**

**Send To:** SRWT Brant Patch Program  
2500 Hafer Rd.  
Fayetteville, PA 17222

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## FREE ! New Jersey Waterfowlers Clinic

Every year, experienced waterfowlers throughout New Jersey join together dedicating their time and energy to present the "New Jersey Waterfowlers Clinic"—an all day, free seminar covering "everything you ever wanted to know" about the traditions of waterfowl hunting in New Jersey. This year is no exception!

Thirty years ago, the clinic began as an opportunity to introduce young people to the world of waterfowl hunting. However, with the growing interest among men and women, as well as children, the event has been transformed into an opportunity for anyone 10 and up to spend a fun and interesting day learning about waterfowling!

Our full-day clinic covers waterfowling from A to Z, and includes bird identification, decoys, calling, guns and ammo, boats, safety, laws and ethics, dos and don'ts, clothing and camo, and even a demonstration by working retrievers! The value of the day is priceless. It's a unique chance to ask any question you've ever had about the sport—to be answered by the most experienced waterfowlers in New Jersey. Our instructors have a combined 300 years of experience!



**Free breakfast and lunch to all attending!**

**Date:** Sunday, Oct. 3, 2004

**Location:** Tip Seaman Park, Tuckerton, NJ

**Time:** 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Please register in advance so we can plan accordingly. Call George Larson at (732) 870-8473 or Bill Schaf at (732) 928-1275.

We hope you'll join us this year and share our enthusiasm for all that is waterfowling!

## Nontoxic Shotgun Shell Regulation Now in Effect for Rail, Snipe and Moorhen Hunters

To protect wildlife from lead poisoning in New Jersey's wetlands, nontoxic shot will be required **at all times** while hunting rails, snipe and moorhens, beginning Sept. 1, 2004.

Numerous studies have shown that waterbirds and other wildlife either die or are seriously sickened by ingesting spent lead shot deposited in marshes. Further, secondary lead poisoning can occur in predatory or scavenging wildlife, most notably raptors, after they consume animals that have ingested lead shot.

Under the new rule, hunters are permitted to use only shotgun shells containing federally approved nontoxic shot pellets, including steel, bismuth, tungsten-iron, tungsten-polymer, tungsten-matrix, tungsten-nickel-iron (HEVI-SHOT) and tungsten-iron-nickel-tin (TINT).

These nontoxic shotgun shells have lower velocities and smaller shot sizes suitable for hunting rail, snipe and moorhens, and are now on the market.

Further, hunters are not permitted to possess shotgun shells loaded with lead shot while pursuing rails, snipe or moorhens. Hunters found illegally possessing shotgun shells containing lead shot face a penalty of \$20 for each shotgun shell.

# Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Regulations

Regulations for use of Wildlife Management Areas are established by the Division of Fish and Wildlife with penalties of not less than \$50 nor more than \$200.

Information on these regulations and permit applications may be obtained by writing to the Division of Fish and Wildlife, PO Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400.

The Division may revoke any permit or other authorization issued for violation or due cause.

**THE FOLLOWING ARE PROHIBITED:  
alcoholic beverages, camping, cutting or damaging  
vegetation, dumping, fires, swimming, picnicking.**

## Boat Ramp Maintenance Permit

Any vehicle used to transport or launch a vessel or water conveyance on the following WMAs must have affixed to the lower corner of the driver's side rear window a boat ramp maintenance permit or receipt from a valid hunting, fishing or trapping license. The boat ramp maintenance permit shall be purchased for a fee of \$15 from the Division offices at the Pequest Trout Hatchery Natural Resource Education Center, Northern, Central and Southern Region, Nacote Creek, Bivalve, Tuckahoe, Lebanon and Trenton offices. Boat Ramp Maintenance Permits may also be purchased online at [www.fishandwildlife.com](http://www.fishandwildlife.com) or through the mail from N.J. Division of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625, Att: Boat Ramp Permit. Persons 70 years and older are not required to obtain a boat ramp maintenance permit, but must affix proof of age to the driver's side rear window in their vehicle.

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|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Round Valley Angler Access | 4. Dennis Creek    | 8. Menantico Ponds  |
| 2. Kingwood                   | 5. Tuckahoe        | 9. Prospertown Lake |
| 3. Assunpink                  | 6. Mad Horse Creek |                     |
|                               | 7. Union Lake      |                     |

## Dog Training, Exercising & Hunting

A person may exercise or train dogs in designated dog training areas only from May 1 to Aug. 31, inclusive and only on the following select WMAs:

- |                |                   |                    |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Assunpink   | 5. Colliers Mills | 9. Manasquan       |
| 2. Millville   | 6. Glassboro      | 10. Stafford Forge |
| 3. Black River | 7. Hainesville    | 11. Whittingham    |
| 4. Clinton     | 8. Tuckahoe       |                    |

All dogs must be properly licensed. A person may exercise or train dogs on any WMA from Sept. 1 to April 30. There shall be no exercising or training of dogs on any WMA on Nov. 12, 2004, the Friday before the opening day of the regular small game season.

Additional regulations involve the release of game birds for training, the use of pigeons, the use of firearms, frozen game birds, the use of call back pens and the release of foxes, raccoons, rabbits and hares. For more information call (609) 984-0547.

## Field Trials

Permits for use of Wildlife Management Areas for running of field trials may be granted by the Division.



## Higbee Beach

Higbee Beach WMA is closed to hunting from Sept. 1 to Dec. 16, 2004.

## Horseback Riding

Horseback riding is allowed by permit only from the Division of Fish and Wildlife on designated areas. Call (609) 259-2132. This permit must be displayed on outer clothing while riding.

## Hunting Regulations

Hunting with firearms is prohibited on Nov. 12, 2004 on those WMAs designated as Pheasant and Quail Stamp areas except in tidal marsh open to an ongoing waterfowl season.

It is legal to possess and use a .22 caliber rifle and .22 caliber rimfire short cartridge on WMAs only for hunting raccoon and opossum and dispatching trapped animals other than muskrat.

Rifles, including muzzleloading rifles, may not be used to hunt woodchucks on WMAs.

## Motor Vehicles & Other Forms of Conveyances

No person shall operate an unregistered vehicle on any state WMA. All motor vehicles are restricted to established public roads and parking areas.

All motor boats must be properly registered and have all the required safety equipment.

The use of dog sleds and dog carts, off road vehicles, ATVs, trailbikes, or snowmobiles is prohibited on all WMAs unless authorized by the Division.

## Outboard Motors

Only electric motors are allowed on freshwater areas with the exception of Union Lake where an outboard motor, not exceeding 10 hp, may be used. On Prospertown Lake, only manually operated boats and canoes are allowed.

## Restricted Hours

Wildlife Management Areas are closed from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. unless engaged in lawful hunting, fishing or trapping activities. Special permission may be granted for Division approved activities.

## Target Practice

Only archery, shotgun, muzzleloading shotgun, muzzleloading rifle and .22 caliber, rimfire rifle shooting is allowed in designated hunter training ranges according to regulations posted at the training area.

The following types of ranges are available on designated WMAs statewide: Shotgun Range—for use with clay birds and the patterning of fine shot; Archery Range—approved backstops at select ranges, no broadheads allowed; Muzzleloading Rifle and Shotgun Slug Range—for sighting in with shotgun slugs or buckshot, .22 caliber, rimfire rifles and muzzleloaders; no other firearms allowed. See page 59 for a complete list of ranges.

## Waterfowl Blinds

No permanent waterfowl blinds, including pit blinds, shall be constructed, hunted from or used in any manner in any of the following WMAs:

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|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Assunpink      | 6. Manahawkin     | 11. Salem River       |
| 2. Black River    | 7. Stafford Forge | (Formerly Mannington) |
| 3. Colliers Mills | 8. Whittingham    | 12. Prospertown       |
| 4. Hainesville    | 9. Beaver Swamp   |                       |
| 5. Tuckahoe       | 10. Sedge Island  |                       |

Any blind used in these designated areas must be portable and shall be completely removed at the end of the day. Blinds remaining in WMAs will be subject to confiscation and properly disposed of by the Division.

# REGULATIONS

## Wildlife Management Area (WMA) Ranges

The following information pertains to NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife facilities. Information on privately operated facilities is available at "Where To Shoot," a site maintained by the National Shooting Sports Foundation at [www.nssf.org](http://www.nssf.org).

- All WMA regulations apply.
- At least one member of the shooting party must have a current, valid hunting license in possession.
- Shotgun range: fine shot only.
- Archery range: target or practice tips only (NO broadheads).
- Muzzleloading rifle and shotgun range: muzzleloading firearms, shotguns with rifled slugs or buckshot and modern rimfire (.22 caliber) rifles only.
- No handguns or centerfire rifles permitted.

### NORTHERN REGION

#### Hunterdon County

##### *Clinton WMA*

Route 173W, Clinton  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

#### Morris County

##### *Black River WMA*

Route 513 (Dover-Chester Road), Chester  
Shotgun, Archery

Note: Closed weekends from the third Saturday in May through the Sunday of Labor Day Weekend, as well as on the Christmas and Easter holidays. Operating hours are 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. during this summer period, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the rest of the year. Hunter education classes will continue to be held at the range and will not be affected by the new hours.

#### Sussex County

##### *Flatbrook-Roy WMA*

Route 615, Layton  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (75 yards)

#### Warren County

##### *Pequest WMA*

Pequest Road, Oxford  
Archery

### CENTRAL REGION

#### Monmouth County

##### *Assunpink WMA*

Imlaystown-Hightstown Rd.,  
Upper Freehold Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery

##### *Turkey Swamp*

Georgia Road, Freehold Twp.  
\*Special regulations apply call (732) 842-4000  
Archery

#### Ocean County

##### *Colliers Mills WMA*

Off Colliers Mills & Hawkins Rds.,  
Jackson Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

##### *Stafford Forge WMA*

off Route 539, south of Warren Grove,  
Little Egg Harbor Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)

### SOUTHERN REGION

#### Atlantic County

##### *Makepeace Lake WMA*

Elmwood-Weymouth Road, Weymouth  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 yards)

#### Gloucester County

##### *Winslow WMA*

Piney Hollow Road, Monroe Twp.  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (50 yards)

#### Cape May County

##### *Tuckahoe WMA*

Off Tuckahoe Road (Route 631), Tuckahoe  
Shotgun, Archery

#### Cumberland County

##### *Millville WMA*

Ackley Road (Route 718), Millville  
Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader (100 yards)



### HUNT SMART Courtesy Card

#### Visitor's Copy - Not Transferable

I request permission to enter your property for the following purpose:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Dates from: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Limitations: \_\_\_\_\_

Hunter can hunt within 450 feet of buildings:  Yes  No

Landowner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### LANDOWNER COPY

Permission given to: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Make \_\_\_\_\_ Yr. \_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Lic. No. \_\_\_\_\_ No. in Party \_\_\_\_\_

Dates from: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Limitations: \_\_\_\_\_

Other licenses, tag no.: \_\_\_\_\_

Permission dates from: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Limitations: \_\_\_\_\_

Hunter can hunt within 450 feet of buildings:  Yes  No

## REGULATIONS



Students simulate tracking and approaching a downed "deer" during the field portion of the Hunter Education course.



Open fields and brushy areas offer a glimpse of a red fox in New Jersey.



# Thirteenth Annual Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament

**Sunday October 3, 2004  
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Don't Miss a Day Full of Family Fun**

I agree to conduct myself safely, responsibly and lawfully, respecting the landowner, property, and others using it. I accept the responsibilities which are part of the activities which I pursue. I agree to comply with the instructions of the landowner while on this property.

I understand that the laws of New Jersey absolve the landowner from liability for non-paying recreationists engaged in hunting, fishing, trapping, boating, hiking, and certain other activities, except in the case of willful or malicious failure to guard or warn of hazards.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(visitor)

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

This card provided by the New Jersey  
Department of Environmental Protection  
Division of Fish & Wildlife



### HUNT SMART Courtesy Card

I hereby give permission to: (visitor's name)

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to enter my property for the purpose listed on the reverse side of this card. He/she has agreed to act safely responsibly, and lawfully and to accept responsibility for his/her actions.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(landowner, lessee, or operator)

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Outdoor Recreation on Private Property  
is a Privilege-NOT A RIGHT**



## What is an "Outstanding" Deer?

An outstanding deer may be a hunter's first deer, a buck that meets a sportsman's own ideal image for a "rack," a veteran hunter's first deer taken with a different sporting arm (such as a muzzleloader rifle), or a deer that meets certain criteria for antler development or body weight as determined by New Jersey's Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program.

The most commonly used system for rating antlers in North America was developed by the Boone and Crockett Club in 1949-1950. This scoring method replaced the various systems that involved counting all points on which a ring could be hung, or measuring only main beam length or the greatest outside spread. The Boone and Crockett Club system gives credit to antler length, spread, number of points, massiveness and symmetry. This measurement system is used by the New Jersey Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program and is also the basis for the Pope & Young Club's Bowhunting Big Game Records Program.

Recognition of exceptional body size as determined by field dressed weight is generally limited to state or local trophy deer programs. For example, New Jersey's Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program recognizes bucks with field dressed weights exceeding 200 pounds, which must be confirmed on a certified scale and a category for does exceeding 135 pounds (field dressed).

New Jersey's Outstanding White-tailed Deer Program was initiated in 1964 and includes categories for typical and nontypical antlered deer taken with bow, shotgun and muzzleloading rifle, in addition to the weight categories listed above. **A new velvet category has been added for early bow season deer.** Minimum scores were revised in September 1996 and are as follows:

Category	Minimum score
Typical Firearm	125
Non-typical Firearm	135
Typical Archery*	125
Non-typical Archery*	135
Typical Muzzleloader	125
Non-typical Muzzleloader	135

\*New velvet class added for these categories.

Any properly licensed hunter, regardless of residency, is eligible to enter the Outstanding Deer Program. Deer must be taken in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of New Jersey. Additional rules and requirements are included with official entry forms. Application forms and instructions are available on our Web site or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, Outstanding Deer Program, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625-0400. There is no entry fee. All qualified entries will be added to New Jersey's All Time List. For questions, call (609) 292-9450.

Quality Deer Management programs are bound to result in a significant increase in the number of outstanding deer added to the

All Time List. Perhaps in as little as three to five years, depending on the area in question, results will be seen.

Each year, outstanding deer entries are displayed and recognized at the Garden State Deer Classic. Be sure to join the Division of Fish and Wildlife in celebrating New Jersey's outstanding white-tailed deer at the popular location for the Garden State Deer Classic in January at the Garden State Outdoor Sportmen's Show. See the ad on this page for details.

Following is a list of the top scoring deer and the hunter who participated in the 2004 Garden State Deer Classic. The Classic showcased the outstanding deer taken during the 2002-2003 deer seasons. Ranks listed represent placement on the all-time list within each category.

### 2002-03 New Jersey Outstanding White-Tailed Deer All Time List

Deer harvested during 2002-03 hunting seasons and recognized during the January 2004 Garden State Deer Classic

Division	Category	All Time Rank as of 2002-03	Score	County of Harvest	Hunter	Hometown
Antlered	Archery (Typical)	6	158 0/8	Morris	Mark Spoto	Montville
		37	146 3/8	Cumberland	Scott Lang	Bridgeton
		41	145 0/8	Sussex	James Ruggieri	Sparta
	Archery (Non-Typical)	11	161 4/8	Monmouth	Edward H. McCay, Jr.	Farmingdale
		23	152 3/8	Monmouth	Steve Ferraro	Red Bank
		26	150 3/8	Sussex	Joseph L. Trogani	Newton
	Muzzleloader (Typical)	7	148 1/8	Burlington	Joseph Caruso	Bordentown
		16	139 3/8	Salem	Mike Catalano	Salem
		30	135 3/8	Sussex	Danny Kane	Byram
	Muzzleloader (Non-Typical)	3	173 3/8	Monmouth	Barry Lied	Farmingdale
	Shotgun (Typical)	11	165 7/8	Hunterdon	David L. Tampier	Hampton
		22	159 1/8	Hunterdon	Michael Smentkowski	Seacaucus
45		140 5/8	Somerset	Michael Stawicki	Flemington	
Shotgun (Non-Typical)	2	191 1/8	Monmouth	William A. Brown	Wall	
135 Pound Doe	Bow				No Entry	
	Muzzleloader	4	145	Salem	Carol A. Pierson	Woodstown
	Shotgun				No Entry	
200 Pound Club	Bow	13	220	Cumberland	Frank Loew	Bridgeton
		13	220	Morris	Alfred T. Bachman	Montville
		14	219	Monmouth	Steve Ferraro	Red Bank
		15	218	Somerset	Robert Staudt, Jr.	Stockton
	Muzzleloader				No Entry	
	Shotgun				No Entry	



### At the Garden State Outdoor Sportsmen's Show Raritan Center, Edison, New Jersey **Bigger and better than ever!**

See New Jersey's most outstanding whitetailed deer for 2003-04  
Seminars by deer experts and noted deer hunters  
Awards ceremony on Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

**To enter a deer harvested during last year's 2003-04 hunting seasons, applications must be submitted by September 1, 2004**

See entry details on this page.

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## 2003 Black Bear Hunting Season Proves to be a Successful Management Tool

As the sun rose on the opening day of New Jersey's first black bear hunting season in 33 years, Garden State bear hunters were greeted with a blanket of new snow. Although the snow and the subfreezing temperatures seemed a hindrance at first, the weather actually improved hunters' success by providing better sighting and tracking conditions.

During the hunt, held Dec. 8–13, 5,450 hunters harvested 328 bears; both the total and the six percent hunter-success rate were on target with Fish & Wildlife's biologists' projections. Also, it proved to be a safe hunt, in part, because every bear hunter had successfully completed a mandatory black bear hunting seminar.

Bears were harvested in five of the seven New Jersey counties open to black bear hunting (see Table 1).

An average of 0.21 bears per square mile were harvested within the land area open to hunting, well below the pre-hunting season density of about



Photo by Ken McKenzie, NJ Fish and Wildlife

**This 578 pound male black bear inhabited Ringwood State Park.**

2.5 bears per square mile calculated by Fish & Wildlife's black bear population research. Hunters reported bear harvests in 36 of the 105 municipalities open to black bear hunting. Vernon Township, Sussex County, tallied the most; 38 bears were taken. More than 80 percent of hunters used a shotgun to harvest their bears, and the majority of bears were



Photo by Tom Denny

**George Soltis of Athens, Pennsylvania.**

taken on private or state land (see Table 2).

The bear harvest sex ratio (209 females to 119 males) and the age

**Table 1. New Jersey 2003 Black Bear Harvest By County**

County	Total Harvest	Percentage of Harvest	Area: mi <sup>2</sup>	Bears Harvested per square mile
Sussex	233	71 %	537	0.43 / mi <sup>2</sup>
Warren	48	15 %	363	0.13 / mi <sup>2</sup>
Passaic	26	8 %	126	0.21 / mi <sup>2</sup>
Morris	20	6 %	429	0.05 / mi <sup>2</sup>
Bergen	1	0.3 %	35	0.03 / mi <sup>2</sup>
Hunterdon	0	0	219	0 / mi <sup>2</sup>
Somerset	0	0	74	0 / mi <sup>2</sup>
<b>Total</b>	<b>328</b>		<b>1558</b>	<b>Average 0.21 / mi<sup>2</sup></b>

distribution (35% juvenile/ 65% adult) matched those of bears captured during research and control activities. Fish & Wildlife's bear population analysis before the hunt, combined with information collected at mandatory bear-check stations, confirms that the current black bear population can support regulated hunting without endangering the species' viability in New Jersey. The biological data on bears and demographic data on hunter success will help refine future management actions.

Since 1980, Fish & Wildlife has used an integrated approach to managing black bears. Today, this strategy includes:

- Monitoring the bear population
- Educating New Jersey residents to reduce bear/human conflicts
- Responding to complaints about nuisance bears to protect public safety and property
- Using other appropriate control measures, including a regulated hunt in 2003

With careful management, a healthy black bear population can continue to thrive and safely coexist with New Jersey residents while providing recreational opportunities such as

wildlife watching and wildlife photography.

For more information on the results of the 2003 bear hunting season, visit [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com).

**Patrick Carr, Supervising Biologist**



Photo by Wade Graham, Sr.

**Wade Graham of Canton, PA.**

**Table 2. New Jersey 2003 Black Bear Hunting Season Harvest by Land Ownership**

	Number of Bears	Percent of Total Harvest
Private Property	137	42
State Land	117	36
Federal Land	50	15
County or Municipal Land	24	7

# Living with Beavers—A Look at Damage Management

Though the restoration of New Jersey's beavers (*Castor canadensis*) is one of the state's wildlife success stories, their increasing population has caused some conflicts with residents.

During the past three years, complaints about beavers damaging property averaged about 135 calls per year statewide. When one envisions the damage beavers can do, their best-known habits likely come to mind: beavers' seemingly insatiable desire to gnaw and their equally pressing need to create ponds. It's no surprise then, that more than 95 percent of all complaints about beavers involve these two activities.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish & Wildlife employs a unit of technicians and biologists who specifically are trained and skilled in dealing with wildlife damage. This 11-member team works primarily on damage problems associated with New Jersey's larger wildlife species: white-tailed deer, black bears, coyotes, beavers and wild turkeys. As with all wildlife-damage situations, the Fish & Wildlife team uses an integrated strategy to tackle beaver problems. Several approaches, such as education, exclusionary devices and trapping can be used together to produce a maximum effect. But there are no silver bullets in wildlife damage control—particularly with ambitious beaver.

Beavers chew trees both to feed themselves and to obtain the building materials they need to



Wire mesh wrapped around the base of a tree to thwart beavers.

construct dams and lodges. In the process, they may cut down trees that are valuable to landowners. They also may inadvertently fell trees on dwellings, structures and utility wires. Beavers' gnawing can affect the agricultural community, too, by damaging nursery stock and felling or girdling orchard trees.

The building of dams by beavers is the most

common source of damage. Beavers flood areas for two primary reasons: to create adequately deep water so they can swim and feed during the winter and to flood woodlands to reach food and create an easy pathway to float logs from one end of their habitat to another. In doing so, they often create problems for homeowners by flooding property and occasionally causing septic systems to back up.

Farmers incur damage to crops when fields are flooded. Roadways can be made impassable by beavers' dam-building activity. In some cases, flooding has threatened endangered plants. Some species, like bog turtles, cannot remain in a wetland that beavers have flooded. However, beavers also are excellent at creating beneficial habitat for a variety of species such as waterfowl, mink, otters, herons and warm-water fishes.

Fish & Wildlife responds to reports of damage by gleaning as much information as possible from the caller. Oftentimes, the callers do not want the beavers trapped or removed, and a few simple steps can be taken to minimize the impacts of the flooding or gnawing.

**Homeowners, farmers and businesses requiring assistance with beavers damage should contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife at (908)735-8793.**

Frequently, all that is needed to solve beaver-related problems is some technical advice for the caller. In most cases, the simple use of fencing can protect valuable trees, or save trees beavers have begun to eat. Hardware cloth is ideal for this purpose, since beavers cannot chew through the metal wire. It need only be applied to the tree's base; beavers are not good at climbing.

Some situations, however, require more than just advice. When roads and crop fields are flooded or when septic systems fail, it is often necessary to trap the beavers that are causing the problem. Beavers in New Jersey are caught using three types of traps: Conibear traps, Hancock traps and snares. Conibear traps are set under the water surface and are designed to kill beavers quickly. Hancock traps act like clamshells that live-trap the



Beaver caught in a snare.

beaver. Snares are loops of wire that catch beavers around the neck without harming the animal.

The use of snares and Hancock traps allows the beavers to be transported if a suitable release site exists. Unfortunately, these trapped beavers often are euthanized because there are few places for release where they will not cause problems. And, as many trappers will attest, it is very difficult to recapture a beaver once it has been trapped and released.

In some situations, a flume, or water leveler, can be installed in the dam so that water continues to flow through the dam. The flume pipe extends approximately 15 feet into the impounded water body, thus making it difficult for a beaver to determine the cause of the lowered water level as it searches for a breach in the dam. At sites where this technique can be used effectively, the beavers are able to remain in their habitat without impacting adjacent roads or homes, since the water can be kept at an acceptable level.

Whenever the particular situation permits, complaints received during the summer months are referred to trappers who catch the beavers during the winter recreational trapping season. This option solves many beaver problems. Recreational trapping is a responsible use of the wildlife resource, and trappers use the beavers they catch. Recreational trapping also helps to control the beaver population and reduce the number of complaints.



Fish and Wildlife technicians installing a "flume" at Silver Lake Wildlife Management Area.

Although beavers' behavior may create conflicts with people, their beneficial activities far outweigh the damage they cause. Their habitat-modification activities provide diverse wildlife habitats, store water for aquifer recharge, improve water conditions for warm-water fishes, stabilize stream flows and control erosion. And, of course, beavers offer recreational opportunities for wildlife watchers and trappers.

Through its integrated strategy to manage the state's beaver population, Fish & Wildlife will continue working to reduce conflicts between beavers and people to ensure beavers remain a fascinating part of New Jersey's fauna.

— Tony McBride, Principal Biologist

## New Jersey Fish and Wildlife Conducts Pintail Satellite Telemetry Study With Partners

As I walked to the top of the dike in the chilly, pre-dawn darkness last March, I could hear the clamor of squeals, quacks and honks as hundreds of green-winged teal, pintails, black ducks and Canada geese gabbled in the pond below. It sounded as though the birds already were close to our rocket-net capture site.

We were in Oldmans Township, Salem County, and I was becoming concerned that ambient light from the Wilmington, Del., factories just across the river would disclose my presence to the wary birds. The trick was to slip into the blind - *undetected*. Once inside the blind, I'd have better control of the situation. Although I was dressed head to toe in camouflage, there was virtually no cover

between the blind and me, so I crawled slowly on my belly across the top of the dike and down to the blind. A pair of Canada geese in the pond only 150 feet away spotted me and sounded the alarm.

Despite the ruckus, the green-winged teal and pintails in the pond were not distracted from feeding on the 20 pounds of millet, cracked corn and barley scattered as bait directly in front of the rocket net on the edge of the pond. By the time I reached the blind and wired up the rocket net detonator, the teal covered the bait like fleas on a neglected dog.

Although I was only 200 feet from the rocket net, the pre-dawn light made it difficult to see the target birds—female pintails—mixed in with hundreds of teal. After what seemed like an eternity, some of the pintails headed for the bait while many of the teal drifted away. When I was confident that at least four pairs of pintails were in front of the net, I pushed the detonator's plunger, sending the rocket net roaring over the feeding ducks.

As dozens of ducks, mainly green-winged teal, struggled under the net, I searched for the female pintails I knew were in there—*somewhere*. The first one I pulled out was hefty, just the kind of specimen we needed. A quick check of the middle covert feathers on her wings confirmed she was an adult. This bird in hand was the sixth and final specimen needed for our study and represented a bittersweet ending to time-consuming work that included several frustrating failures. At last we had completed New Jersey's portion of the capture phase in a large-scale, multi-partner study of pintails wintering in the Atlantic Flyway. But the work and the learning had only just begun.

Although pintails are still abundant in North America, their



Adult females were equipped with 20-gram, backpack-style satellite transmitters to track their movements.

numbers have declined markedly since the mid-1970s. In the past, duck populations in mid-continental North America have waxed and waned in response to periods of precipitation and drought. When the prairies experienced a period of wet years in the late 1990s, most duck populations expanded well above their long-term averages. In fact, some species, including mallard, gadwall and shoveler, experienced record-high populations during that period.

Pintails, however, did not respond with the population increase expected under these ideal conditions. Their poor response was especially troubling, given the large pintail-population growth during previous periods of abundant, wet

prairie habitat in the 1950s and 1970s.

Like population declines observed in many other species, the problem with pintails appears to be complex and multi-faceted. Some kinds of habitat constraints, both on key breeding and wintering areas, primarily in the West, likely are to blame for the pintails' decline.

Waterfowl hunters in the Atlantic Flyway have long regarded pintails as trophy birds. Such status can be attributed to the pintails' striking plumage, their exceptional wariness and difficulty in decoying, exceptional quality as table fare, and their relatively small numbers compared with other more common ducks (for example, black ducks) in the East. Also, the opportunity to observe these handsome birds in their natural habitats makes pintails particularly popular with birdwatchers.

Yet, relatively little is known about the status of pintails wintering in the Atlantic Flyway. Although the pintails' breeding range extends across the Arctic from Labrador to Alaska, the heart of the breeding range lies within the prairie-pothole region of North America. The majority of pintail banding data is from that mid-continental region; from 1966 to 1999, fewer than four percent of all pintails banded in

Canada and fewer than eight percent of all pintails banded in the United States were harvested in the Atlantic Flyway.

The small proportion of band recoveries in the East called into question the relationship between pintails wintering in the Atlantic Flyway and the core mid-continental population. For mallards, banding studies have revealed that only a small portion of the mid-continental population is recovered in the Atlantic Flyway,

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Male (left) and female pintails are one of North America's most handsome ducks.

Photo courtesy of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



## New Jersey Fish and Wildlife Conducts Pintail Satellite Telemetry Study With Partners

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particularly in northern states. Would it be plausible to assume the same applied to pintails?

To learn more about pintails wintering in the Atlantic Flyway, 39 adult female pintails were marked with satellite telemetry transmitters last winter. Pintails also were marked throughout their eastern wintering range from New Jersey to Florida. Partners in the study included the U.S. Geological Service's New York Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit at Cornell University, as well as the state wildlife agencies of New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Florida. Several U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service national wildlife refuges, including the Cape May National Wildlife Refuge, provided key logistical support. The study's objectives are to:

- Assess the breeding ground affiliations of pintails wintering in the Atlantic Flyway.
- Describe the chronology of pintail migration.
- Identify important spring and fall staging areas used during migration.

Since females are more inclined to return to natal breeding areas than males, females were chosen to be telemetered with 20-gram,

backpack-style transmitters, which will emit a signal once every six days for 10 months. Satellites receive the signals, which are downloaded by computer to provide weekly locations of the birds.

In New Jersey, six pintails were telemetered. New Jersey's participation in the research project is funded by the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Project and the state Fish & Wildlife's Hunter and Angler Fund. The New Jersey Waterfowlers Association also purchased one of the transmitters used in the study.

Once completed, the study will provide some of the missing data to improve understanding of pintail ecology. Study results may clarify whether 30-day pintail hunting season restrictions are warranted for the Atlantic Flyway. Much work remains to be done. Long-term research is needed across the pintail breeding range to understand factors affecting pintails that would enhance the development of pintail conservation programs and harvest management strategies.

— Ted Nichols, Principal Biologist,  
Waterfowl Ecology and Management Program

### Radio Locations of Pintails Marked in the Atlantic Flyway

Pintails are one of the earliest nesting ducks in North America, and their presence in New Jersey during late winter is a sure sign that spring is on the way. While the fall migration is drawn out, the northward, spring migration is condensed into the weeks between late February and mid-March.

During this time, pintails concentrate primarily in tidal freshwater marshes that drain into the Delaware River and Bay. As many birders know, the marshes of the Maurice River, Mannington Meadow and the numerous tidal, freshwater creeks from Pedricktown to Woodbury are the best places to observe pintails heading north during spring. During an aerial survey conducted last February by Fish & Wildlife's Waterfowl Program, nearly 30,000 pintails were counted in these marshes.

The marshes serve as critical areas for gathering, resting and feeding before migration. Birds congregate to feed on the seeds of wetland plants, particularly wild rice, and numerous invertebrates found in the mud—all of which supply the precious calories pintails need to continue their spring migration. As they move north to their breeding grounds, female pintails must consume high-protein invertebrates essential for egg development later.

Tracking the movements of birds marked in this study has been fascinating so far. Several of the five birds marked at Cape May National Wildlife Refuge appeared to move to the impoundments at Fish & Wildlife's Tuckahoe Wildlife Management Area before moving to tidal marshes on both sides of Delaware Bay



**Movements of satellite telemetered pintails from wintering sites in New Jersey to breeding locations in eastern Canada. The map shows movements between February and June 2004. Given the fascinating information obtained from the spring migration to the breeding areas, pintail-study partners are eagerly awaiting the fall migration.**

Nathan Zimpfer, NJ Fish and Wildlife

for the remainder of the spring. In addition, many pintails marked in southern states, particularly those from North Carolina and Virginia, staged in New Jersey's tidal, freshwater marshes. Oldmans and Raccoon Creeks in particular clearly were important staging sites for Atlantic Flyway pintails. Marshes at Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge near Auburn, N.Y., as well as Ottawa River Valley marshes in southern Ontario and Quebec, were used heavily by pintails during the spring migration, including those marked in New Jersey.

**Update:** In 2004, spring arrived very late in the eastern Canadian arctic. Inuit in the Ungava Bay region of northern Quebec commented that ducks (including pintails) arrived later in 2004 than they had in more than 20 years. The late spring was evident given the movements of telemetered pintails, as they did not arrive on final

nesting areas until late June. Pintails marked during winter in New Jersey finally settled onto breeding sites near the eastern and western shores of James Bay as well as the boreal forest of central Quebec.

Maps of the movements of the telemetered pintails marked in New Jersey are available at [www.njfishandwildlife.com/pintail/pintail\\_sat2.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/pintail/pintail_sat2.htm), and are updated two or three times each month. Updates are expected to be available through autumn.

## Northern Bobwhite Decline in New Jersey

It has been 15 years since I moved to the border of New Jersey's Pinelands region, an area where a mixture of small farms, woodlots and the occasional weedy field nurtured a healthy population of northern bobwhite. Over the years, the clear, two-note calls of the bobwhite could be heard, drifting from the farm across the street. Sometimes, bobwhite broods would scamper across the road.



Photo by Joe Garris, NJ Fish and Wildlife

These small birds appeared to have habitat that provided everything they needed to survive and prosper, while also allowing hunters to harvest a portion of them each fall. Yet it has been six years since we have heard the bobwhite's distinctive calls. That last year they began calling in early June, but after the farmer mowed the grassy strip along the road and sprayed herbicide under the fence, the bobwhite were heard no more.

**Northern Bobwhite (*Colinus virginianus*)**

More important, the weedy field beyond the

swamp was sold and most of it was developed. In the small portion left undeveloped, young trees are growing. Now, I fear my local covey of bobwhite may never return because their habitat is gone.

Bobwhite thrive in early successional habitats like grasslands, shrubby areas and open oak-pine forest savannas. Naturally occurring fires historically kept these habitats from progressing into woodlands by preventing many trees from becoming established. Today, however, fires are strictly controlled. As the bobwhite habitat grows into mature forest, its value to these birds is lost.



Photo by Andrew Burnett, NJ Fish and Wildlife

**Housing development replaces bobwhite habitat.**

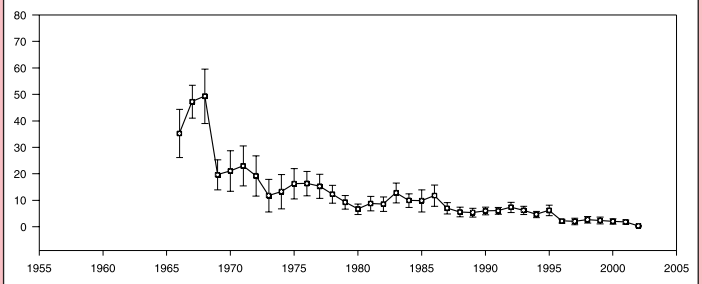
Agricultural fields can sustain bobwhite if they have some brushy, weedy edges, but modern farming is clean farming. Weeds and insects that would provide shelter and food, respectively, for bobwhite usually are controlled with herbicides and pesticides.

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### What is New Jersey doing for bobwhite?

- Fish & Wildlife is working to create, conserve, improve and connect grasslands and other early successional habitats on many wildlife management areas (WMAs). Last year at Buckshutem WMA in Cumberland County, 125 acres were cut selectively to thin out the forest, simulating a traditional fire-maintained ecosystem. This year, 205 acres of grasslands will be created by planting native, warm-season grasses, and 184 acres will be treated to maintain early successional stage shrublands. This work will occur on nine WMAs within bobwhite range and also will benefit other species that need these habitats to survive, including bobolinks and butterflies. This year, Fish & Wildlife also initiated a program to educate landowners near WMAs about grassland habitat management techniques.

**Mean number of northern bobwhite observed per route in New Jersey during the U.S. Geological Survey's North American Breeding Bird Survey, 1966-2002.**



- To track the bobwhite population, Fish & Wildlife biologists annually review the Breeding Bird Survey and the Christmas Bird Count Survey. In 2003, Fish & Wildlife biologists also resumed traveling a series of New Jersey bobwhite survey routes, a project previously conducted from 1972-83. All three surveys conclude that the bobwhite population is low and has been declining over several decades. Fish & Wildlife biologists are working to estimate the actual number of bobwhite and other grassland birds in New Jersey. A statewide grassland bird survey is planned for 2005 in partnership with the New Jersey Audubon Society.
- Fish & Wildlife biologists have collected bobwhite-sighting locations and are overlaying these sites on habitat maps to create a computer-generated habitat model. The model will be compared with the statewide habitat map to predict where bobwhite exist or should exist.
- Fish & Wildlife has improved the bobwhite hunter harvest survey. After the hunting season, biologists will review the survey to determine if current hunting regulations remain appropriate for New Jersey's bobwhite population level. Stocking pen-reared bobwhite also will be reassessed. In other states, stocking bobwhites has been reported to increase the mortality of native quail and to confound assessments of wild bobwhite populations. Stocking also raises genetic concerns about the interbreeding of pen-raised with native bobwhites and the potential for disease transmission.

### What can sportsmen and sportswomen do for bobwhite?

- Report seeing or hearing bobwhite in New Jersey to Fish & Wildlife by using the upland game bird report form available at [www.njfishandwildlife.com/pdf/upgamebrdrpt.pdf](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/pdf/upgamebrdrpt.pdf).
- Contact the Bureau of Wildlife Management to participate in the upland gamebird harvest survey (see adjoining box), if you hunt bobwhite.
- Substitute stocking pen-raised bobwhite with ring-necked pheasants or chukar partridges to eliminate most of the negative impacts on native bobwhite, while retaining the advantages of stocking.
- Begin a habitat improvement program. Habitat management information is available online at [www.njfishandwildlife.com/whipart04.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/whipart04.htm) or by writing to New Jersey Division of Fish & Wildlife, P.O. Box 400, Trenton, NJ 08625.

## Northern Bobwhite Decline in New Jersey

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New Jersey is the most densely populated state in the nation, with development continuing at a rapid rate. Housing developments and shopping centers are replacing bobwhite habitat.

Being on the northern edge of their North American range, New Jersey bobwhite occasionally are subjected to harsh weather; snow and low temperatures can cause winter kills. Marginal habitats exacerbate these winter losses.

When bobwhites do not produce enough young to offset annual losses, the population declines. If a local population occupies a patch of land surrounded by unsuitable habitat, such as mature forest or a housing development, continued decline can lead to local extinction of these game birds. Local bobwhite extinction in isolated habitats is especially detrimental because bobwhite seldom move more than two miles. Therefore, habitat patches farther than two miles from the nearest bobwhite population have only a small chance of being re-colonized.

Early successional habitats are among the most threatened. As grasslands decline, bobwhite decline. This problem is not unique to New Jersey; bobwhite have declined sharply throughout most of their range. Working together, the Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Division of Fish & Wildlife, sportsmen and women, bird watchers and other wildlife enthusiasts can address the challenges facing the bobwhite and help restore their population in the Garden State.

*Paul Castelli, Supervising Wildlife Biologist, Bureau of Wildlife Management*

## ATTENTION Upland Gamebird Hunters

If you hunt bobwhite, ruffed grouse, woodcock, ring-necked pheasant or chukar and are willing to participate in a Fish and Wildlife survey of gamebird hunters, please provide us with your name, mailing address, e-mail address and telephone number.

Submit this information through our Web site at:

[www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)

or mail to:

Andrew Burnett, Principal Wildlife Biologist,  
NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife,  
Nacote Creek Research Station,  
P.O. Box 418, Port Republic, NJ 08241-0418

Fax: (609) 748-2057

E-mail: [Andrew.Burnett@dep.state.nj.us](mailto:Andrew.Burnett@dep.state.nj.us)

## Upland Game Bird Occurrence Report Form

Send to: N. J. Division of Fish and Wildlife

Bureau of Wildlife Management

Upland Game and Furbearer Research Project

Nacote Creek Res. Sta., P.O. Box 418, Port Republic, NJ 08241

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

**GAME BIRD SPECIES:**  Bobwhite

(Please check one)  Ring-necked pheasant

Ruffed grouse

Woodcock

**TYPE OF OBSERVATION:**

(Please check one)  Audio (Call heard: quail, pheasant;  
Drumming: grouse)

Number of individuals heard  
(enter number) \_\_\_\_\_

Visual (bird was seen)

Number of birds seen  
(enter number) \_\_\_\_\_

Mortality (non-hunting—  
e.g., predator, roadkill, etc.)

Specific location: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest intersection: \_\_\_\_\_

Township: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

# OPERATION GAME THIEF

## STOP WILDLIFE CRIME (800) 222-0456

Operation Game Thief aims to increase the public's participation in apprehending violators of New Jersey's wildlife laws. Concerned citizens can make anonymous reports to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Division of Fish and Wildlife by calling the toll-free number (800) 222-0456. If the information leads to the apprehension and conviction of a violator, the caller may receive a cash reward of up to \$2,000. Also, arrangements are made to enable an anonymous caller to collect a reward without disclosing his or her identity to anyone.

Operation Game Thief is a partnership between DEP and the New Jersey Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, and depends upon charitable contributions from individuals and conservation organizations to promote the program and to pay rewards. Since its inception in 1983, Operation Game Thief has generated thousands of calls to Fish and Wildlife's Bureau of Law Enforcement, resulting in numerous convictions in a variety of cases. Last year alone, the Operation Game Thief program received 49 tips about illegal activity, leading to 29 apprehensions.

The wide use of cell phones is dramatically

improving the frequency, quality and timeliness of information provided to lawmen through Operation Game Thief. Sportsmen and women should consider taking along a cell phone when they go afield. Not only are cell phones valuable in emergency situations, they also can be a critical link between hunters and conservation officers working to protect wildlife resources.

Operation Game Thief recently generated several successful prosecutions. The following case illustrates how a tip from a concerned citizen can lead to the apprehension of a wildlife violator.

### The Big Buck

An anonymous caller reported that a man with an unusual last name had unlawfully taken a large buck without first taking a doe. The caller was uncertain about the correct spelling of the name and could offer no other details about the incident.

With only sketchy information, the Central Region Law Enforcement Office launched an investigation, inspecting local deer-check stations, taxidermists and butcher shops to determine if a large deer had been brought in by anyone with a similar last name. No such deer was located, and

additional leads that would further the investigation failed to surface. Investigators then searched several computer databases available only to law enforcement agencies and eventually focused on a particular suspect.

Conservation Officer Greg Szulecki headed to the suspect's residence to attempt to question him. While approaching the front door of the residence, the officer noticed a small amount of blood and deer hair on the driveway. The suspect, however, evidently was not at home.

Returning to the residence later that evening, Officer Szulecki was able to question the suspect who eventually admitted he had, in fact, shot the eight-point buck without first taking a doe. The man also had failed to tag the deer and to take it to a check station, as required by law. Officer Szulecki recovered the trophy buck and cited the man for numerous violations. He later pled guilty and paid his fines.

Remember, you can help protect New Jersey's wildlife resources by anonymously reporting violators to Operation Game Thief. For more information on the program, visit [www.njfishandwildlife.com/ogt.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/ogt.htm).

## Perpetual Sunrise & Sunset, Trenton, New Jersey

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Add one hour for daylight time when in effect (first Sunday in April through last Saturday in October).

# Wildlife Heritage Festival

## Celebrating National Hunting and Fishing Day

September 26, 2004

Pequest Trout Hatchery & Natural Resource Education Center

Oxford, New Jersey

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Admission is always free!**

- ❖ Firearms training system (F.A.T.S.)
- ❖ Archery shooting range
- ❖ Waterfowl, archery, falconry demonstrations and hunting seminars
- ❖ Introduction to fishing for 8–16 year olds
- ❖ Casting clinic
- ❖ Primitive living encampment
- ❖ Conservation groups exhibits
- ❖ Forestry exhibits, sawmill demonstration
- ❖ Kids' activities



**Evan F. Nappen, Esq.**  
"the gun law guru"

Evan F. Nappen, Esq., "the gun law guru," is an attorney dedicated to defending constitutional liberties. His extensive technical knowledge of guns, knives, weapons and an in-depth comprehension of NJ law allows him to advise honest citizens of their rights, how to save their possessions and stay out of jail.

Mr. Nappen's website at [www.evannappen.com](http://www.evannappen.com) features daily gun news with new headlines and article links continuously updated. From his office in Eatontown, NJ, he provides legal assistance to gun owners from Sussex to Cape May. In addition to being a member of the NJ and PA Bar, Mr. Nappen is admitted to the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Nappen is a well-known author for his books on New Jersey Gun, Knife and Weapon Law. His current book, *Nappen II: New Jersey Gun, Knife and Weapon Law*, is available at most gun stores (for a dealer listing—check the website). This book explains over 150 topics in an easy-to-read question and answer format with special comments from Mr. Nappen's 15 years of experience handling firearm and weapon cases. His recent articles have appeared in *Blade* magazine concerning knife law and in *Knives 2002* and *Sporting Knives 2003*, published by Krause Publications. His first book, *Nappen on New Jersey Gun Law*, sold out the first printing of over 5,000 copies. Many honest citizens have contacted, confided to and thanked Mr. Nappen that the information helped to save them from what could have been a disaster in their lives and liberty.

The NJ Courts have declared: "When dealing with guns, the citizen acts at his peril." Because of this, law-abiding gun, knife and weapon owners must know and exercise their rights. To protect oneself, Mr. Nappen has created a system in which your basic

constitutional protections are summed up as three simple rules. These three rules are explained thoroughly in *NAPPEN II*. It's a must read for any gun, knife or weapon owner in NJ.

Mr. Nappen is a Life Member of the National Rifle Association and is a certified instructor in Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun and Home Safety. An avid hunter and fisherman, he and his family have spent many weekends target shooting, boating, fishing and hunting. His oldest son, Ethan, earned his New Jersey Hunting License for both shotgun and bow at the age of 10. His 6-year-old son, Nathanael, loves to catch lunker bass and outfishes everybody in the family.

The Law Firm of Evan F. Nappen, Attorney at Law is a professional corporation, which is dedicated to helping their clients in all aspects of gun, knife and weapon law, including legal representation for any and all crimes in any and all courts. Professional services are also offered for issues concerning Fish and Game law, Domestic Violence, gun seizures and forfeitures, licenses and permits, NICS purchase denials and expungements (clear your record).

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*Selected Wildlife Management Areas for the*  
**Youth Pheasant Hunt**  
**Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004**

WMA	Guided Morning	Open After 1 pm	Open All Day
Whittingham	X	X	
Black River	X	X	
Flatbrook			X
Clinton	X	X	
Assunpink	X	X	
Colliers Mills	X	X	
Glassboro			X
Millville	X	X	
Peaslee	X	X	

**Guided:** Pre-registration required.

**Open—Afternoon:** Any youth hunter with a valid youth hunting license accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult (aged 21 or older), will be permitted to hunt on the listed Wildlife Management Areas on Nov. 6, 2004 from 1 p.m. until sunset. No registration required.

**Open—all day:** Any youth hunter with a valid youth hunting license accompanied by a licensed, non-shooting adult (aged 21 or older), will be permitted to hunt on the listed Wildlife Management Areas on Nov. 6, 2004 from 8 a.m. until sunset. No registration required.

**Youth Upland Bird Hunt Day**  
**Saturday, November 6, 2004**

Youth hunters with a valid youth license, accompanied by a licensed, non-hunting adult 21 years or older, will be permitted to hunt on licensed semi-wild preserves. Youths can hunt for pheasants, quail, and/or chukars on Saturday, Nov. 6, 2004 from 8 a.m. to sunset. This is a great opportunity for hunters belonging to semi-wild preserves to introduce youth hunters to upland bird hunting without competition from adult hunters.

**TAKE A KID HUNTING Pheasant Hunt:**  
**November 6, 2004**



**A proud hunter with his Youth Pheasant Hunt quarry.**

The 2004 Take a Kid Hunting Pheasant Hunt will allow properly licensed hunters with a valid youth license to hunt on one of nine stocked Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) on Saturday morning, Nov. 6, 2004. In a cooperative effort between the Division of Fish and Wildlife and the NJ State Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, volunteer hunting mentors with trained bird dogs will guide youth hunters on a pheasant hunt. This experience will increase the young hunters' opportunity for harvesting a pheasant in a setting which encourages responsible and safe hunting practices.

All participants must pre-register and be accompanied to the check-in by a parent or guardian. Parents or guardians are welcomed and encouraged to follow the hunters through the fields. All pre-registered hunters will receive an information packet. One session will be offered, starting at 7 a.m.

Only 50 youth hunters will be allowed on each WMA during each session. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of slots available, a random drawing will be held to select participants. To register, please send the application below to: Take a Kid Hunting, NJ Div. of Fish & Wildlife, Northern Region Hunter Education, 26 Rt. 173 W, Hampton, NJ 08827. All entries must be postmarked by Oct. 23, 2004. Information will be mailed around Oct. 29, 2004.

**Youth Hunter**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Youth Hunting License # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Select WMA (Check only 1):

- Assunpink     Black River     Clinton     Colliers Mills  
 Millville     Peaslee     Whittingham

2. Have you attended the Take A Kid Hunting Pheasant Hunt before?

- NO     YES-2003

3. With what gauge shotgun will you be hunting?

- 12     16     20     28     .410

4. If you have a trained hunting dog and would like to participate as a mentor, enter your name and daytime phone number. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Breed of dog \_\_\_\_\_

**Youth Turkey Hunt Day**

Youth hunters with a valid youth license who have obtained a turkey permit may begin their spring turkey season on the special youth turkey hunting day, April 16, 2005. Youth must be accompanied and supervised by an adult 21 years or older who possesses a valid New Jersey hunting license.

## YOUTH HUNTING OPPORTUNITIES



Although she has harvested other deer, Rebekah Garris was 14 during her first successful solo hunt.

# Youth Deer Hunt Day

SATURDAY,

NOVEMBER 20, 2004

## TAKE A KID HUNTING!

Youth hunters with a valid youth hunting license will be allowed to hunt statewide for one deer on Saturday, Nov. 20, 2004. The youth hunter MUST be under the immediate supervision of a person who is at least 21 years old and who has a valid firearm license. For the purposes of this section, direct supervision is defined as both the youth hunter and parent/guardian set up together at the same location, hunting as a unit and not hunting independently of each other. The adult CANNOT hunt or possess a firearm or bow. The adult can grunt call or rattle for the youth. In addition to the youth, the adult accompanying the youth should wear the required hunter orange. Youths can hunt with either a shotgun or muzzleloader for one deer of either sex. If the youth is hunting with a muzzleloader, both the youth and the adult must have a

valid rifle permit. Neither the Earn-A-Buck requirement nor Antler Point Restrictions will apply on that day for the youth hunter. This hunt will be an extension of the six-day firearm season so no special season deer permit is required. The youth hunter must tag his/her deer with a homemade transportation tag. The tag must include the youth hunting license number, sex of deer, number of antler points, date, zone, county and township from which the deer was taken, and must say "taken during the 6-day firearm season-youth hunt". The youth hunter will not be given a supplemental tag when the deer is checked. The bag limit for the youth hunt day is only ONE deer of either sex. Youth hunters may still harvest two antlered deer during the six day firearm season. This is a great opportunity to introduce youth hunters to deer hunting!



Jeremy Swanson, 14, with an outstanding 14-point deer he shot Nov., 2003 in Burlington County.

## Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days

Youth hunters with a valid youth hunting license and accompanied by a non-shooting adult (age 21 or older) will be permitted to hunt for waterfowl from 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset on the following dates by zone:

**North Zone . . . . . Sept. 25**

**South Zone . . . . . Oct. 2**

**Coastal Zone . . . . . Oct. 23**

Each youth hunter may participate on all three days. See the New Jersey 2004-05 Migratory Bird Regulations for further details including written zone boundary descriptions and species bag limits. Non-toxic shot is required. Federal and state waterfowl stamps are not required on these youth days. Daily bag limits for ducks, Canada geese (South Zone and Coastal Zone), brant, snow geese, coots, moorhens and gallinules will be the same as those allowed during the regular season. In the North Zone, the daily bag limit for Canada geese is eight birds.

NORTH ZONE



COASTAL ZONE

SOUTH ZONE

# Outdoor Skills Workshop for Women



New Jersey's "Becoming an Outdoors-Woman" (BOW) Program is part of a nationwide effort to help women overcome barriers to participation in outdoor recreation by providing opportunities to try new activities. Since it began at the University of Wisconsin in 1991, the program has exploded in popularity. BOW can be found in 44 states and eight Canadian Provinces across North America. New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife has been offering BOW workshops since 1995.

Although BOW workshops are designed for women, they offer anyone 18 years old and over opportunities to try new outdoor activities, improve existing skills, and meet other outdoor enthusiasts. The three-day BOW and one-day "Beyond BOW" workshops offer hands-on instruction in hunting, angling, and related outdoor pursuits in a relaxed, non-competitive atmosphere.

All of our instructors have many years of experience afield. They were chosen for their ability to share their knowledge and their belief in encouraging anyone who has an interest to get involved in the outdoors.

To find out more about the BOW program, log on to our Web site at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or mail in the coupon below. Those with an e-mail access can sign up to receive the BOW listserv (electronic mail service) announcements. The BOW listserv will send automatic updates about the BOW program and workshop availability. It's simple to subscribe. On the Division's Web site at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) go to 'Education' on the left side of the homepage. Click on 'Becoming an Outdoors-Woman,' then click 'BOW E-mail list'. Fill out the electronic form and click submit. That's it! A confirmation message will ask you to return an authorization code. Then you'll be set to receive automatic updates about New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's BOW Program.

*To be placed on the BOW contact list, complete this coupon and send to: New Jersey Fish & Wildlife, 26 Rt. 173W., Hampton, NJ 08827.*

## BOW Outdoor Skills Workshop

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

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# Share Your Skills and Knowledge... Become a Hunter Education Instructor

If you have a passion for hunting with a shotgun or muzzle-loading rifle, archery or recreational shooting, you might have what it takes to teach others how to become responsible hunters.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Fish & Wildlife is looking for sportsmen and women willing to serve as instructors in its award-winning Hunter Education program. More than 200 men and women volunteer upwards of 12,000 hours every year as hunter education instructors, passing along the hunting tradition by helping others develop and sharpen skills and knowledge essential to this recreation.

To become an instructor, sportsmen and women must attend a one-day training seminar, and then teach alongside experienced instructors at one of nine training facilities located throughout New Jersey. Hunter education classes are held on weekends, and flexible scheduling allows instructors to teach when it is most convenient for them. Instructors must teach two classes a year to remain active in the program.

The hunter education program has evolved considerably since the 1950s, and in 2001 launched an innovative home study format that has earned several prestigious awards, including the Association for Conservation Information's 2002 first-place award for best new educational program and the 2001 bronze Telly Award. Many states now embracing alternative hunter education formats use New Jersey's program as their framework.

The home study course includes a mandatory one-day field session working with hunter education instructors where students must demonstrate safe firearm and bow handling, complete an instructional field walk and pass a written exam.

For more information or an instructor application, visit [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or call the hunter education office at (908) 735-6826.

## Continue the Tradition

### Become an instructor with Fish and Wildlife's Hunter Education Program.



The Division's Hunter Education Unit is looking for New Jersey's best sportsmen and women to become instructors and teach utilizing this exciting new format. A minimum of six weekend days each year are required.

**Call (856) 629-0552** leave your name and address to receive an application. Or visit our Web site: [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)



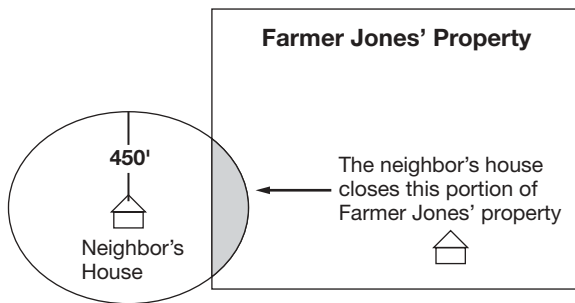
## SAFETY ZONE Awareness: Protecting Your Hunting Privilege

New Jersey hunters enjoy many types of hunting, numerous days afield and generous bag limits. But development and other human encroachment on the forests and fields of the Garden State has changed wildlife habitat and land suitable for hunting, such that SAFETY ZONE awareness is even more critical for modern hunters.



### What is a SAFETY ZONE?

- The SAFETY ZONE is the area within 450 feet of a building or school playground, even if not occupied.
- The SAFETY ZONE is the place where you, the hunter, cannot carry a loaded firearm or nocked arrow unless you have written permission in hand.
- The SAFETY ZONE was established by legislation in 1946 as an area to place some physical distance, a buffer, between hunters and homeowners.
- The SAFETY ZONE could be land where there is suitable wildlife habitat for adaptable species, like the white-tailed deer, cottontail rabbit and Canada goose.
- The SAFETY ZONE is not a magic shield which can stop a misdirected bullet from entering the area around a home



### What can you do to heighten your SAFETY ZONE awareness?

1. Post SAFETY ZONE signs.
2. Talk with landowners.
3. Hunt SMART and remind your hunting partners to Hunt SMART.
4. Know the law.

Remember, failure to hunt safely and responsibly is inexcusable. You must always be a responsible hunter, aware of your surroundings, the target and what may lie beyond the target. The principles of hunter education do not disappear at the completion of a course, but are called into practice every time you hunt.

Take special care hunting on “high visibility” property, habitat where our adaptable wildlife species—especially white-tailed deer—are now flourishing. Here, hunter conduct will be watched closely; the image we portray can have a great impact on the tolerance for our sport. So hunting these special areas carries added responsibility for you, as a hunter, to exercise restraint and make superior judgment decisions.

## Hunting Opportunities On New Jersey's National Wildlife Refuges

### 2004–2005 Hunting Seasons

*Hunting on national wildlife refuges is not permitted unless specifically opened as listed below.*

#### Cape May NWR

24 Kimbles Beach Road, Cape May Court House, NJ 08210  
(609) 463-0994; fw5rw\_cpmnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See “Special Area Hunting Season Information;” see page 37.
- Migratory game birds except crow—on refuge lands north of Rt. 550 or west of Rt. 47

No refuge permit is required. Special hunting conditions apply. Contact refuge office for information

#### Great Swamp NWR

152 Pleasant Plains Road, Basking Ridge, New Jersey 07920-9615  
(973) 425-1222; fw5rw\_gsnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See “Special Area Hunting Season Information;” see page 37.

In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a Refuge permit. There is a \$22 fee for a refuge permit. Special hunting conditions apply.

#### Edwin B. Forsythe NWR

P.O. Box 72, Great Creek Road, Oceanville, New Jersey 08231-0072  
(609) 652-1665; fw5rw\_fbrnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See “Special Area Hunting Season Information;” see page 37.
- Waterfowl • Special Snow Goose Season

A \$10 refuge permit is required for the fall bow season. Hunters wanting to participate in the snow goose hunt must have a reservation. Special hunting conditions apply. Information can be obtained through the mail, at dispensers, or at the refuge.

#### Supawna Meadows NWR

197 Lighthouse Road, Pennsville, New Jersey 08070  
(856) 935-1487; fw5rw\_spmnwr@fws.gov

- Deer—See “Special Area Hunting Season Information;” see page 38.
- Waterfowl • September Canada Goose

In addition to required state licenses and permits, deer hunters must obtain a refuge permit. There is a \$20 fee for refuge permits except youths are free. Special hunting conditions apply.

#### Wallkill River NWR

1547 County Route 565, Sussex, New Jersey 07461-4013  
(973) 702-7266; fw5rw\_wrnwr@fws.gov • <http://wallkillriver.fws.gov>

- Big game—See “Special Area Hunting Season Information;” see page 38.
- Migratory Birds except crow • Spring and Fall Turkey (Zone 5)
- September and Special Winter Canada Goose

In addition to required state licenses and permits, hunters must obtain a refuge permit. There is a \$10 fee for a refuge permit except youths are free. Special hunting conditions apply.

### New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has a new Web-based tool called i-MapNJ.

If you have access to the Web, here is a way to create maps of your favorite Wildlife Management Areas. i-MapNJ also provides a wealth of other environmental information.

This interactive program is updated regularly so most of the latest information is available.

To access i-MapNJ, go to the DEP's Web site at [www.state.nj.us/dep](http://www.state.nj.us/dep). Click the i-MapNJ button in the left column.

If you do not have access to the Web and are interested in a specific Wildlife Management Area, call (609) 984-0547 to request a map.

# Public Deer Hunting Land in New Jersey

New Jersey has more than 750,000 acres of public land open to deer hunting. These areas are arranged on the following list according to deer management zones. Generally, only areas with 100 acres or more of upland habitat are listed. For details, refer either to the regulations sets for the zones or to the **Special Area Hunting Season Information** in this Digest. See page 73 for hunting opportunities on national wildlife refuges in New Jersey.

**Remember:** Hunters must have permission to hunt agricultural land even if the land is not posted. Hunters should obtain permission before hunting any private property. Hunters are advised not to purchase a deer permit for a zone in which they have no place to hunt. See Trespass Law, page 16.

- | Zone | Public Land Open to Deer Hunting  |
|------|---|
| 1    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flatbrook-Roy WMA</li> <li>Hainesville WMA</li> <li>Stokes State Forest</li> </ul>   |
| 2    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kittatinny Valley State Park</li> <li>Walkkill River National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")</li> </ul>   |
| 3    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abram Hewitt State Forest</li> <li>Hamburg Mountain WMA</li> <li>Long Pond Ironworks State Park</li> <li>Newark Watershed (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Norvin Green State Forest</li> <li>Ramapo Mountain State Forest</li> <li>Ringwood State Park</li> <li>Wanaque WMA</li> <li>Waywayanda State Park</li> </ul>   |
| 4    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area</li> <li>Flatbrook-Roy WMA</li> <li>Stokes State Forest</li> <li>Walpack WMA</li> <li>Worthington State Forest</li> </ul>  |
| 5    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bear Swamp WMA</li> <li>Beaver Brook WMA</li> <li>Columbia WMA</li> <li>Honey Run WMA</li> <li>Jenny Jump State Forest</li> <li>Paulinskill WMA</li> <li>Swartswood State Park</li> <li>Trout Brook WMA</li> <li>White Lake WMA</li> <li>Whittingham WMA</li> </ul>  |
| 6    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allamuchy Mountain State Park</li> <li>Berkshire Valley WMA</li> <li>Fanny State Park</li> <li>Morris County Park System—Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Silas Condict Park (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Newark Watershed (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Rockaway River WMA</li> <li>Sparta Mountain WMA</li> <li>Weldon Brook WMA</li> <li>Wildcat Ridge WMA</li> </ul>   |
| 7    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clinton WMA</li> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Union Forge Preserve, Tower Hill Reserve (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Musconetcong River WMA</li> </ul>  |
| 8    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allamuchy Mountain State Park</li> <li>Black River WMA</li> <li>Hacklebarney State Park</li> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Cold Brook Preserve, Teetertown Ravine Nature Preserve, Point Mountain Preserve (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Ken Lockwood Gorge WMA</li> <li>Morris County Park System—Black River Park, Schooley's Mountain Park (see "Special Areas")</li> <li>Musconetcong River WMA</li> <li>Pequest WMA</li> <li>South Branch WMA</li> <li>Voorhees State Park</li> </ul> |
| 9    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Black River WMA</li> </ul>   |
| 10   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Musconetcong Gorge, the Drag Strip Property, Hoffman Park, Schick Reserve, South Branch Reservation,</li> </ul>   |

- Uplands Reserve (see "Special Areas")
- Musconetcong River WMA
- Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—The Case Farm, Wescott Nature Preserve (see "Special Areas")
- Hunterdon County Parks Dept.—Cushetunk Mountain Park, Sourland Mountain Nature Preserve, Deer Path Park, South Branch Reservation (see "Special Areas")
- Round Valley Recreation Area
- South Branch WMA
- No public deer hunting land
- Assunpink WMA (Washington Twp section only)
- Pigeon Swamp State Park
- Six Mile Run Reservoir State Park (see "Special Areas")
- Assunpink WMA
- Monmouth County Park System—Charleston Springs Golf Course (see "Special Areas")
- Turkey Swamp WMA
- Monmouth County Park System—Bear Swamp Tract of Manasquan Reservoir, Turkey Swamp Park, Yellowbrook Tract of Manasquan River Linear Park (see "Special Areas")
- No public deer hunting land
- Monmouth County Park System—Clayton Park, Crosswicks Creek Park (see "Special Areas")
- Colliers Mills WMA
- Manchester WMA
- Whiting WMA
- Medford WMA
- Wharton State Forest
- Double Trouble State Park
- Forked River Mountain WMA
- Greenwood Forest WMA
- Lebanon State Forest
- Bass River State Forest
- Wharton State Forest
- Bass River State Forest
- Lebanon State Forest
- Penn State Forest
- Stafford Forge WMA
- Swan Bay WMA
- Warren Grove Recreation Area
- Wharton State Forest
- Cedar Lake WMA
- Great Egg Harbor River WMA
- Hammonton Creek WMA
- White Oak Branch WMA
- Winslow WMA
- Great Egg Harbor River WMA
- Makepeace Lake WMA
- Port Republic WMA
- Wharton State Forest
- Salem River WMA
- Thundergut Pond WMA
- Buckshutem WMA
- Elmer Lake WMA
- Union Lake WMA
- Bayside PSE&G Tract (see "Special Areas")
- Cohansey WMA
- Gum Tree Corner WMA
- Mad Horse Creek WMA
- Maskells Mill Pond WMA
- Bear Swamp Natural Area (closed Jan. 15–Aug. 1)
- Dix WMA
- Egg Island WMA
- Fortescue WMA
- Nantuxent WMA
- New Sweden WMA
- Millville WMA
- Buckshutem WMA
- Beaver Swamp WMA
- Belleplain State Forest
- Cape May Wetlands WMA
- Cape May National Wildlife Refuge
- Dennis Creek WMA
- Heislerville WMA
- Higbee Beach WMA
- Tuckahoe WMA
- Lizard Tail Swamp Preserve (see "Special Areas")
- D.O.D. Ponds WMA
- No public deer hunting land
- Fort Dix Military Reservation (see "Special Areas")
- Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")
- No public deer hunting land
- No public deer hunting land

- Alexauken Creek WMA
- Mercer County Parks—Baldpate (Kuser) Mountain
- Mercer County Parks—Howell Living History Farm
- Port Republic WMA
- Millville (Bevan) WMA
- Menantico Ponds WMA
- Peaslee WMA
- Gibson Creek WMA
- Great Egg Harbor River WMA
- Tuckahoe WMA
- Maple Lake WMA
- Peaslee WMA
- Peaslee WMA
- Rancocas State Park (see "Special Areas")
- No public deer hunting land
- Monmouth County Park System—Hartshorne Woods Park, Thompson Park (see "Special Areas")
- Allaire State Park
- Manasquan River WMA
- Manahawkin WMA
- Monmouth County Park System—Rt. 33 Tract of Shark River Park (see "Special Areas")
- Fort Dix Military Reservation (see "Special Areas")
- Lakehurst Naval Air Engineering Station (see "Special Areas")
- No public deer hunting land
- Glassboro WMA
- Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")
- Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")
- Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")
- Supawna Meadows National Wildlife Refuge (see "Special Areas")
- Atlantic County Park System (see "Special Areas")
- Abbotts Meadow WMA
- Monmouth Battlefield State Park (see "Special Areas")
- Winslow WMA
- Federal Aviation Administration William J. Hughes Technical Center (see "Special Areas")
- High Point State Park (see "Special Area Hunting Season Information")

Maps and information on hunting land is also available from the following sources:

**USGS Topographic Maps**  
 Topo quads - \$10 each. State exact location including county, township, road or select a WMA  
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**Maps can be downloaded from our Web site at [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com) or you can create your own map; see i-map NJ, page 73.**

A statewide "Wild Places & Open Spaces" map is available for \$4 (includes first-class postage)  
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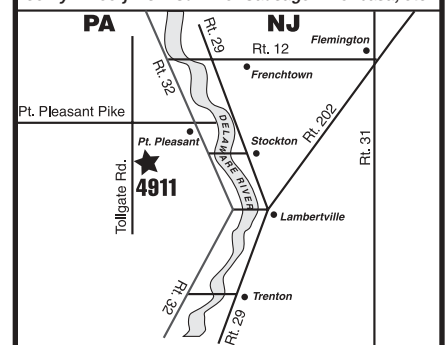
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